



## 5. Surface Water, Groundwater, and Sediments

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### A. Overview of Programs

#### 1. Surface Water Program

Surface waters from regional and Pajarito Plateau stations are monitored to survey the environmental effects of Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL or the Laboratory) operations. There are no perennial surface water flows that extend completely across the Laboratory in any of the canyons. Periodic natural surface runoff occurs in two modes: (1) spring snowmelt runoff that occurs over highly variable periods of time (days to weeks) at a low discharge rate and sediment load, and (2) summer runoff from thunderstorms that occurs over a short period of time (hours) at a high discharge rate and sediment load. None of the surface waters within the Laboratory are a source of municipal, industrial, or irrigation water. The waters are used by wildlife. Concentrations of radionuclides in surface water samples may be compared to either the Department of Energy (DOE) Derived Concentration Guides (DCGs) or the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (NMWQCC) stream standard, which reference the NM Health and Environment Department Environmental Improvement Division's NM Radiation Protection Regulations (part 4, Appendix A). However, NM radiation levels are in general two orders of magnitude greater than DOE's DCGs for public dose, so only the DCGs will be discussed here. The concentrations of nonradioactive constituents may be compared with the NMWQCC General, Livestock Watering, and Wildlife Habitat stream standards. The NMWQCC groundwater standards can also be applied in cases where groundwater discharge may affect stream water quality.

The analysis results for the Surface Water Program were generally consistent with past findings. The most notable finding for 1995 was a significant level of strontium-90 found in a runoff sample from Ancho Canyon near Bandelier National Monument. The concentration of strontium-90 in the sample was  $50.9 \pm 3.5$  pCi/L. This is the highest concentration of strontium-90 observed outside the known contaminated areas in Pueblo, Los Alamos, and Mortandad Canyons for the period of record since 1981. This level is slightly above the DOE Drinking Water System DCG (40 pCi/L).

An elevated level of americium-241 ( $0.17 \pm 0.035$  pCi/L) was measured in Frijoles Canyon at the Bandelier National Monument Headquarters on June 2, 1995. While this level is above what is usually observed outside known contaminated areas, the concentration is nearly an order of magnitude lower than the DOE Drinking Water System DCG (1.2 pCi/L). A second sample was collected on July 27. The concentration of americium-241 measured in this sample was below the detection limit (0.04 pCi/L) and reported as  $0.033 \pm 0.018$  pCi/L.

#### 2. Groundwater Protection Management Program

Groundwater resource management and protection at the Laboratory are focused on the main (or regional) aquifer underlying the region (see section 1.A.3). The aquifer has been of paramount importance to Los Alamos since the period following the World War II Manhattan Engineer District days, when the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) needed to develop a reliable water supply to support Laboratory operations. The US Geological Survey (USGS) was extensively involved in overseeing and conducting various studies for development of groundwater supplies beginning in 1945 and 1946. Studies specifically aimed at protecting and monitoring groundwater quality were initiated as joint efforts between the AEC, the Laboratory, and the USGS in about 1949.

The monitoring data indicate that DOE operations at the Laboratory have resulted in some contamination of the main aquifer, particularly beneath Los Alamos and Pueblo Canyons. Note that the term "contamination" refers to the presence of substances whose concentrations exceed background values because of human actions, whether or not these substances significantly affect potential uses of water. Another term, "pollution" applies to levels of contamination which are undesirable, for example because of possible adverse health effects (Freeze 1979). In Los Alamos and Pueblo Canyons, signs of effluent from sewage treatment and past radioactive industrial releases have appeared in the upper part of the main aquifer. In the lower reaches of these canyons, the streams have cut down through the Bandelier Tuff into the more permeable basalts and conglomerates directly overlying the main aquifer, facilitating seepage of contaminants into the aquifer formations.

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The radioactive contamination is generally restricted to trace amounts of tritium, an isotope of hydrogen, which moves through rocks much more readily than do other radionuclides because it is a component of some water molecules.

Tritium contamination within the main aquifer has been found at four locations in Los Alamos and Pueblo Canyons, and one location in Mortandad Canyon (EARE 1995, EG 1996). The tritium contamination was discovered in four test wells that penetrate only a short distance into the top of the main aquifer (EARE 1995), and in a former water supply well in lower Los Alamos Canyon. Some of these wells (in Pueblo and Los Alamos Canyons) draw water from formations a relatively short distance below shallow alluvium, known to have past tritium contamination. The casing of other wells was probably not cemented during construction, and leakage down the well bore is possible. The wells are all located downstream of present or former sites of discharge of treated radioactive liquid industrial waste into Acid/Pueblo, DP/Los Alamos, or Mortandad Canyons.

The presence of tritium does not pose a risk to public health, as the highest level detected was about 2% of the federal drinking water limit for tritium. Confirmed evidence of tritium contamination has not been discovered in samples taken from any of the current Los Alamos public water supply wells. The US Department of Health & Human Services Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) evaluated the trace levels of tritium that were found in Los Alamos and the Pueblo of San Ildefonso water supply wells, and reported, "ATSDR considers water at these drinking water levels to be safe for human consumption" (EG 1996).

The development and production of the water supply has resulted in overall nonpumping water level declines ranging from 3 to 30 m (10 to 100 ft) in some production wells, but has not resulted in major depletion of the resource. Water level recoveries of roughly 90% are observed when wells are shut down for short periods for maintenance purposes.

The early groundwater management efforts evolved with the growth of the Laboratory's current Groundwater Protection Management Program, which addresses environmental monitoring, resource management, aquifer protection, and geohydrologic investigations. Essentially all of the action elements required by DOE Order 5400.1 (DOE 1988a) as part of the Groundwater Protection Management Program have been functioning at the Laboratory for varying lengths of time before the DOE order was issued. Formal documentation for the program, the "Groundwater Protection Management Program Plan," was issued in April 1990 and revised in 1995 (LANL 1995). Several hundred reports and articles documenting studies and data germane to groundwater and the environmental setting of Los Alamos are listed in a bibliography (Bennett 1990).

Groundwater resource monitoring routinely documents conditions of the water supply wells and the hydrologic conditions of the main aquifer as part of the overall Groundwater Protection Management Program. This information is documented in a series of annual reports providing detailed records of pumping and water level measurements. The most recent report in this series is entitled "Water Supply at Los Alamos during 1995" (McLin 1996).

Concentrations of radionuclides in environmental water samples from the main aquifer, the alluvial perched groundwater in the canyons, and the intermediate-depth perched systems may be evaluated by comparison with DCGs for ingested water calculated from DOE's public dose limits. The NMWQCC has established standards for groundwater quality (NMWQCC 1993). Concentrations of radioactivity in samples of water from the water supply wells completed in the Los Alamos main aquifer are also compared to New Mexico Environmental Improvement Board (NMEIB) and EPA drinking water standards or to the DOE DCGs applicable to radioactivity in DOE drinking water systems, which are more restrictive in a few cases.

The concentrations of nonradioactive chemical quality parameters may be evaluated by comparing them to NMWQCC groundwater standards and to the NMEIB and EPA drinking water standards (maximum contaminant levels [MCLs]), even though these latter standards are only directly applicable to the public water supply. The supply wells in the main aquifer are the source of the Los Alamos public water supply. Although it is not a source of municipal or industrial water, the shallow alluvial groundwater results in return flow to surface water and springs used by livestock and wildlife, and may be compared to the Standards for Groundwater or the Livestock and Wildlife Watering stream standards established by the NMWQCC (NMWQCC 1993, NMWQCC 1994).

Groundwater analysis results were generally in keeping with values reported in previous years. Groundwater in some canyons shows the effects of industrial radioactive and other wastes from the Laboratory. For the most part the quality of groundwater within the main aquifer, which is the source of water supply for the Laboratory and Los Alamos County, has not been impacted by Laboratory operations.

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The 1994 surveillance sampling of three test wells, TW-3, TW-4 and TW-8, showed unexpected levels of strontium-90 (EG 1996). Special time-series sampling of these wells was carried out in 1995 to evaluate possible aquifer contamination near these wells. Results of these tests indicate no trace of strontium in any of these test wells. The time-series sampling results for tritium suggest that it is present in the aquifer at TW-3 and 8, but not at TW-4. The presence of tritium in TW-3 is a new discovery, as tritium was not noted in this well during sampling in 1993. The tritium in TW-3 is at trace levels, which are far below the MCL established under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA).

During 1995 cooperative efforts between the Laboratory and the Pueblos of San Ildefonso, Santa Clara, Cochiti, and Jemez and the Pueblo Office of Environmental Protection resulted in sampling of water for trace-level tritium analysis in the four Indian Pueblo communities. Baseline water quality data were collected at Cochiti, Santa Clara, and Jemez Pueblos. Also, the Laboratory continued environmental monitoring at the Pueblo of San Ildefonso.

The most notable finding was that the Westside Artesian well at the Pueblo of San Ildefonso had a strontium-90 value of 8.4 pCi/L. This value exceeded the EPA proposed MCL of 8 pCi/L and is inconsistent with prior sampling results. Water supply well G-1A also had an apparent strontium-90 detection, which was just above the detection limit. No prior data on strontium-90 are available for this well. A possible explanation for strontium-90 in these cases and those of TW-3, TW-4, and TW-8 in 1994 lies with the analytical technique used to detect strontium-90, which has a relatively high detection limit.

The tritium results show that tritium in pueblo surface and groundwaters occurs at concentrations either similar to regional precipitation or at lower levels due to radioactive decay in water long isolated from the surface. Exceptions occur in lower Los Alamos Canyon, probably as a result of past disposal of tritium by the Laboratory in Los Alamos/DP Canyon and Pueblo Canyon.

### 3. Sediment Program

Sediment samples are collected from regional stations and Pajarito Plateau stations surrounding the Laboratory. Regional sediment sampling stations are located within northern New Mexico and southern Colorado at distances up to 200 km (124 mi) from the Laboratory. Sediment transport associated with surface water runoff is a significant mechanism of contaminant movement. Contaminants originating from airborne deposition, effluent discharges, or unplanned releases can become attached to soils or sediments by adsorption or ion exchange. Accordingly, sediments are sampled in all canyons, including those with either perennial or ephemeral flows, that cross the Laboratory. Furthermore, sediments from five regional reservoirs are sampled annually.

Routine laboratory analyses for sediment samples include measurements for radioactivity, trace metals, organic compounds, and high-explosive (HE) residuals.

There are no federal or state regulatory standards for soil or sediment contaminants that can be used for direct comparison with surveillance results. Instead, contaminant levels in sediments may be interpreted in terms of toxicity to humans assuming the contaminated particles are either ingested or inhaled. The results can also be compared to levels attributable to worldwide fallout or natural background levels. Results of radionuclide analyses of soil and sediment samples from regional stations collected from 1974 through 1986 were used to establish statistical limits for worldwide fallout levels for tritium, strontium-90, cesium-137, plutonium-238, plutonium-239,240, and natural background levels of total uranium in northern New Mexico (Purtymun 1987a). The average concentration level for each analyte in these samples, plus twice its standard deviation, was adopted as an indicator of the approximate upper limit for worldwide fallout or natural background concentration. If an individual sample analysis exceeds the background level reported in Purtymun (1987a), we assume that Laboratory contamination is a possible source.

Screening action levels (SALs) are used by the Laboratory's Environmental Restoration (ER) Project to identify the presence of contaminants at levels of concern. Both background concentrations and SAL values for sediments are listed in tables summarizing analytical results for sediments. SAL values are derived from toxicity values and exposure parameters using data from the EPA.

Portions of Pueblo, Los Alamos, and Mortandad Canyons have been affected to varying degrees by contaminant releases from the Laboratory. These canyons have concentrations of radioactivity in sediments at levels that are higher than levels attributable to worldwide fallout or natural sources. Elevated concentration levels of tritium, strontium-90, cesium-137, plutonium, and americium-241 are found in sediments in the upper reaches of Mortandad Canyon. These contaminated sediments have not moved off site because three sediment traps prevented

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sediments from moving towards the eastern Laboratory boundary in Mortandad Canyon. Some radioactivity associated with sediments from Pueblo and Los Alamos Canyons has moved into the Rio Grande (Section 5.E.4). Some of these contaminated sediments have been deposited in Cochiti Reservoir since its completion in 1973. No sediment samples collected in 1995 contained levels of trace metals above background or detectable levels of regulated organic compounds or HE residuals.

### 4. Drinking Water Program

The SDWA program routinely collects drinking water samples from various points in the Laboratory, Los Alamos County, and Bandelier National Monument water distribution systems and from the Laboratory's water supply well heads to demonstrate compliance with the federal SDWA (40 CFR 141) (EPA 1989) and the State of NM Drinking Water Regulations (NMEIB 1995). The EPA has established MCLs for microbiological organisms, organic and inorganic constituents, and radioactivity in drinking water. These standards have been adopted by the State of NM and are included in the NM Drinking Water Regulations. The NM Environment Department (NMED) has been authorized by the EPA to administer and enforce the SDWA in NM.

### B. Description of Surface Water, Groundwater, and Sediment Programs and Monitoring Results

The USGS was involved in overseeing and conducting various studies for development of groundwater supplies beginning in 1945 and 1946. Studies specifically aimed at environmental monitoring and at protecting groundwater quality were initiated as joint efforts between the AEC, the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, and the USGS in about 1949. These initial efforts were focused on Pueblo and DP/Los Alamos Canyons, which were the main disposal sites for radioactive industrial wastes in the early days of the Laboratory.

The current network of annual sampling stations for surface water, groundwater, and sediment surveillance includes a set of regional (or background) stations and a group of stations near or within the Laboratory boundary. The on-site stations are for the most part focused on areas of present or former waste disposal operations, particularly canyons (Figure 1-4). To provide context for discussion of monitoring results, the setting and operational history of currently monitored canyons that have received radioactive or other liquid discharges are briefly summarized below. These canyons have been the subject of numerous studies to evaluate environmental and health effects of Laboratory operations, as well as continual surveillance monitoring since the early days of the Laboratory and are a high priority for remedial work by the ER Project (Pratt 1996). These descriptions are not intended as a complete inventory of past Laboratory discharges.

#### Acid Canyon, Pueblo Canyon, and Lower Los Alamos Canyon

Acid Canyon, a small tributary of Pueblo Canyon, was the original disposal site for liquid wastes generated by research on nuclear materials for the World War II Manhattan Engineer District atomic bomb project. Acid Canyon received untreated radioactive industrial effluent from 1943 to 1951. The Technical Area (TA) 45 treatment plant was completed in 1951, and from 1951 to 1964 discharged treated effluents that contained residual radionuclides. Most of the residual radioactivity from these releases is now associated with the sediments in Pueblo Canyon, with an estimated total plutonium inventory of about  $630 \pm 300$  mCi (ESG 1981). The estimated plutonium releases were about 177 mCi. About two-thirds of this total are in the DOE-owned portion of lower Pueblo Canyon.

Pueblo Canyon currently receives treated sanitary effluent from the Los Alamos County Bayo Sewage Treatment Plant in the middle reach of Pueblo Canyon. Water occurs seasonally in the alluvium, depending on the volume of surface flow from snowmelt, thunderstorm runoff, and sanitary effluents. Tritium, nitrate, and chloride from these industrial and municipal disposal operations have infiltrated to the intermediate perched groundwater (at depths of 37 m to 58 m [120 to 190 ft]) and the main aquifer (at a depth of 180 m [590 ft]) beneath the lower reach of Pueblo Canyon. Except for occasional nitrate values, levels of these constituents are a small fraction of EPA drinking water standards.

Increased discharge of sanitary effluent from the county treatment plant, starting in 1990, resulted in nearly continual flow during most months, except June and July, in the lower reach of Pueblo Canyon and across DOE land into the lower reach of Los Alamos Canyon on Pueblo of San Ildefonso land. From mid-June through early August, higher evapotranspiration and the diversion of sanitary effluent for golf course irrigation eliminate flow from Pueblo Canyon into Los Alamos Canyon. One spring, which in the past discharged from alluvium in the

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lower reach of Pueblo Canyon, has been dry since 1990, probably because there was no discharge from the older, abandoned Los Alamos County Pueblo Sewage Treatment Plant. Further east the alluvium is continuously saturated, mainly because of infiltration of effluent from the Los Alamos County Bayo Sewage Treatment Plant. Effluent flow from Pueblo Canyon into Los Alamos Canyon generally extends to somewhere between the DOE/San Ildefonso boundary and the confluence of Guaje and Los Alamos Canyons.

### **DP Canyon and Los Alamos Canyon**

In the past, Los Alamos Canyon received treated and untreated industrial effluents containing some radionuclides. In the upper reach of Los Alamos Canyon there were releases of treated and untreated radioactive effluents during the earliest Manhattan Project operations at TA-1 (late 1940s) and some release of water and radionuclides from the research reactors at TA-2. Los Alamos Canyon also received discharges containing radionuclides from the sanitary sewage lagoon system at the Los Alamos Neutron Science Center (LANSCE [formerly Los Alamos Meson Physics Facility]) (TA-53). The low-level radioactive waste stream was separated from the sanitary system at TA-53 in 1989 and directed into a total retention evaporation lagoon. An industrial liquid waste treatment plant that served the old plutonium processing facility at TA-21 discharged effluent containing radionuclides into DP Canyon, a tributary to Los Alamos Canyon, from 1952 to 1986.

The reach of Los Alamos Canyon within the Laboratory boundary presently carries flow from the Los Alamos Reservoir (west of the Laboratory), as well as National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) - permitted effluents from TA-2, TA-53, and TA-21. Infiltration of NPDES-permitted effluents and natural runoff from the stream channel maintains a shallow body of groundwater in the alluvium of Los Alamos Canyon within the Laboratory boundary west of State Road 4. Groundwater levels are highest in late spring from snowmelt runoff and in late summer from thundershowers. Water levels decline during the winter and early summer when runoff is at a minimum. Depth to water is typically in the range of 1.2 m to 4.6 m (4 to 15 ft). Alluvial perched groundwater also occurs in the lower portion of Los Alamos Canyon on the Pueblo of San Ildefonso lands. This alluvium is not continuous with the alluvium within the Laboratory, and can be sampled utilizing wells installed by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).

### **Sandia Canyon**

Sandia Canyon has a small drainage area that heads at TA-3. The canyon receives water from the cooling tower at the TA-3 power plant and treated effluents from the TA-46 Sanitary Wastewater Systems Consolidation (SWSC) Plant. These effluents support a continuous flow in a short reach of the upper part of the canyon, but only during summer thundershowers does stream flow reach the Laboratory boundary at State Road 4 and only during periods of heavy thunderstorms or snowmelt does surface flow from Sandia Canyon extend beyond the Laboratory boundary.

### **Mortandad Canyon**

Mortandad Canyon has a small drainage area that heads at TA-3. Its drainage area presently receives inflow from natural precipitation and a number of NPDES-permitted effluents including one from the existing Radioactive Liquid Waste Treatment Facility at TA-50. The TA-50 facility began operations in 1963. Cumulative discharge of radionuclides between 1963 and 1977 and data for 1993 through 1995 are given in Table 5-1. In addition to total annual activity released for 1993 through 1995, Table 5-1 also shows mean concentrations in effluent for each radionuclide, and the ratio of this concentration to the DCG. In six cases the DCG was exceeded: for americium-241 in 1993; for americium-241 and plutonium-238 in 1994; and for plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; and americium-241 in 1995. For each of these years, the effluent nitrate concentrations exceeded the New Mexico groundwater standard of 10 mg/L (nitrate as nitrogen). The groundwater standard applies because the TA-50 effluent infiltrates the alluvium in the canyon. In order to address these problems the Laboratory is working to upgrade the TA-50 treatment process. These effluents infiltrate the stream channel and maintain a saturated zone in the alluvium extending about 3.5 km (2.2 mi) downstream from the TA-50 NPDES-permitted outfall. The easternmost extent of saturation is on site, about 1.6 km (1 mi) west of the Laboratory boundary with the Pueblo of San Ildefonso.

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Surface flow in the drainage has not reached the Pueblo of San Ildefonso boundary since observations began in the early 1960s (Stoker 1991). Three sediment traps are located about 3 km (2 mi) downstream from the effluent discharge in Mortandad Canyon to dissipate the energy of major thunderstorm runoff events and settle out transported sediments. From the sediment traps, it is approximately another 2.3 km (1.4 mi) downstream to the Laboratory boundary with the Pueblo of San Ildefonso.

The alluvium is less than 1.5 m (5 ft) thick in the upper reach of Mortandad Canyon and thickens to about 23 m (75 ft) at the easternmost extent of saturation. The saturated portion of the alluvium is perched on weathered and unweathered tuff and is generally no more than 3 m (10 ft) thick. There is considerable seasonal variation in saturated thickness, depending on the amount of runoff experienced in any given year (Stoker 1991). Velocity of water movement in the perched alluvial groundwater ranges from 18 m/day (59 ft/day) in the upper reach to about 2 m/day (7 ft/day) in the lower reach of the canyon (Purtymun 1974, 1983). The top of the main aquifer is about 290 m (950 ft) below the perched alluvial groundwater.

### Pajarito Canyon

In Pajarito Canyon, water in the alluvium is perched on the underlying tuff and is recharged mainly through snowmelt, thunderstorm runoff, and some NPDES-permitted effluents. Three shallow observation wells were constructed in 1985 as part of a compliance agreement with the State of New Mexico to determine if technical areas in the canyon or solid waste disposal activities on the adjacent mesa were affecting the quality of shallow groundwater. No effects were observed; the alluvial perched groundwater was found to be contained in the canyon bottom and did not extend under the mesa (Devours 1985).

### Cañada del Buey

Cañada del Buey contains a shallow alluvial perched groundwater system of limited extent. The thickness of the alluvium ranges from 1.2 to 5 m (4 to 17 ft), while the underlying weathered tuff ranges in thickness from 3.7 to 12 m (12 to 40 ft). In 1992, saturation was found within only a 0.8-km (0.5-mi) long segment, and only two observation wells have ever contained water (EPG 1994). The apparent source of the saturation is purge water from nearby municipal water supply well PM-4, as the alluvium is dry upstream of the purge water entry point. Because treated effluent from the Laboratory's SWSC project may at some time be discharged into the Cañada del Buey drainage system, a network of five shallow groundwater monitoring wells and two moisture monitoring holes was installed during the early summer of 1992 within the upper and middle reaches of the drainage (EPG 1994). Construction of the SWSC project was completed in late 1992.

## 1. Sampling and Analytical Procedures, Data Management, and Quality Assurance

**a. Sampling and Analytical Procedures.** Stoker (1990a) is the basic document covering sampling procedures and quality assurance (QA). Detailed container and preservation requirements are documented in a handbook by Williams (1990). More focused guidance is provided in formal procedures developed to address sampling procedures for each sample matrix (Mullen 1996). All sampling is conducted using strict chain-of-custody procedures, as described in Gallaher (1993). The completed chain-of-custody form serves as an analytical request form and includes the requester or owner, sample barcode number, program code, date and time of sample collection, total number of bottles, the list of analytes to be measured, and the bottle sizes and preservatives for each analysis required. LANL's samples are submitted to the Chemical Science and Technology (CST) analytical laboratory. Detailed analytical methods are published in Gautier (1995a). Beginning in 1995, samples were submitted using blind sample numbers to prevent possible bias by the analyst through a knowledge of the sampled location.

Metals and general inorganics have been analyzed using EPA SW-846 methods. Filtering and digestion methods have changed over time. Before 1993, water samples were preserved in the field and filtered in the lab before digestion. From 1993 forward, water samples have not been filtered in the field or in the laboratory. The results reported have been for total concentrations. As described in "Environmental Surveillance at Los Alamos during 1994" (EG 1996), from September of 1992 through the spring of 1994, SW-846 digestion method 3050 was used for sediments, and 3005 was used for waters. After the spring of 1994, digestion method 3051 was used for

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sediments, and 3015 was used for waters. The methods are considered equivalent. Methods 3015 and 3051 use microwave digestion, while 3005 and 3050 use a steam bath.

Radiochemical analysis has been performed using the methods as updated in Gautier (1995a). Sediment samples are screened through a Number 12 US Standard Testing sieve before digestion. This sieve screens out materials larger than 1.7 mm (0.066 in.). One hundred gram samples are collected from stream channels; 1,000 gram samples are collected from reservoirs. This results in a 10-fold decrease in detection limits of plutonium-238 and plutonium-239,240 for reservoir samples.

Negative values are reported for some radiological measurements. Negative numbers occur because measurements of radiochemical samples require that analytical or instrumental backgrounds be subtracted to obtain net values. Thus, net values are sometimes obtained that are lower than the minimum detection limit of the analytical technique. Consequently, individual measurements can result in values of positive or negative numbers. Although negative values do not represent a physical reality they are reported here as they are received from the analytical laboratory. Valid long-term averages can be obtained only if the very small and negative values are included in the analytical results.

Water samples submitted for radiochemical analyses are preserved in the field by adding nitric acid to lower the pH of the sample to two or less. Water samples are filtered shortly after they are received by the analytical laboratory. After filtering, the sample is digested before analysis. Both water and sediment radiochemical samples are completely digested in a mixture of nitric and hydrofluoric acids.

When very accurate trace level tritium analyses are required, samples are shipped to the University of Miami Tritium Laboratory. These samples are collected and analyzed according to procedures described in University of Miami Tritium Laboratory (1996).

Organics are analyzed for using SW-846 methods as shown on Table 5-2. This table shows the number of analytes included in each analytical suite. The specific compounds analyzed for in each suite are listed in Tables 5-3 through 5-6. All organic samples are collected in glass bottles and the volatile organics sample is preserved with hydrochloric acid. A trip blank always accompanies the volatile organic sample.

**b. Data Management and Quality Assurance.** Historically, as analytical data is generated by the analysts in CST, it is transferred to the Analytical Services Group (CST-3), the sample management group. CST-3 transfers the data to the Water Quality and Hydrology Group (ESH-18) as a hardcopy. In 1995 a new procedure was initiated whereby CST-3 also makes weekly electronic data transfers to the Facility for Information Management, Analysis, and Display (FIMAD). The electronic data is screened by FIMAD and stored in an Oracle database table. The table contains all the analytical data generated by CST for the current year. Data is extracted from the table and downloaded to ESH-18 using commercially available software. The sample location name, the sample barcode number, and the field data are stored in a separate table on ESH-18 personal computers and on FIMAD. This table provides the link for associating a blind sample barcode number with a location name.

Each analytical batch (20 samples or less) contains at least one blank, matrix spike, and duplicate as dictated by SW-846 protocols. These samples are provided by CST-3 and submitted along with environmental surveillance samples. ESH-18 also submits blanks and field-prepared duplicates. These samples are submitted blind and are identical to all other samples. CST participates in numerous interlaboratory quality assurance programs. The programs, laboratory results, and expected results are summarized quarterly in Gautier (1995b).

**c. Evaluation of Radiochemical Detection Limits.** Uncertainties are reported in the tables for radiological data. These uncertainties are reported by the CST analyst for each radiological measurement. These numbers are referred to as counting uncertainties and represent the uncertainty associated with counting photon emissions from a blank and the sample. Counting uncertainties vary with time and from one instrument to another. One standard deviation (one sigma) counting uncertainties are typically reported; three sigma uncertainties are reported for tritium. Counting uncertainties do not include the other sources of error in an analytical measurement.

CST has determined detection limits for each analytical method. Radiological detection limits are based on Currie's formula (Currie 1968). Detection limits are reported, in this section, at the bottom of the tables summarizing the analytical results. The CST detection limits include uncertainties associated with the entire analytical method and include counting uncertainties, sample preparation, digestion, dilutions, and spike recoveries. The CST detection limits, reported in this document, have been changed from those reported in recent years. These changes reflect changes in aliquot sizes, recent evaluations of detector backgrounds and efficiencies, and evaluations of recoveries.

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As part of our QA program we compared the CST detection limits to the counting uncertainties. For an unbiased analytical method, a value of three sigma above zero can be regarded as the method detection limit (MDL) (Keith 1991). Three sigma is chosen to calculate a detection limit with a false positive rate of less than 1%. A false positive, or type I error, occurs when the concentration in the sample is incorrectly identified as being above the detection limit. In other words, a type I error is when the “true” concentration in the sample is below the detection limit, and the analytical result shows the concentration in the sample to be above the detection limit.

To evaluate the reported detection limits, we calculated three times the average reported counting uncertainty for sample values at or below the detection limits provided by CST. Because counting uncertainties do not include the other sources of analytical errors, a three sigma detection limit based on counting uncertainties is the best case detection limit. The “true” detection limit will be higher. The results are summarized in Table 5-7. The CST detection limit for cesium-137 in water appears to be optimistic. There were too few uranium analyses measured below or near the CST detection limit to make an accurate evaluation of the detection limit for uranium. This comparison generally validates the detection limits reported by CST.

Except as noted, the detection limits listed in Table 5-7 were calculated based on the counting uncertainties and represent a best case detection limit. The overall MDL may be significantly higher, as suggested by the additional analysis of tritium data described below.

In evaluating our surveillance data, the following methodology is used to determine if a radionuclide was measured above the detection limit. The measured value is compared to the detection limit listed at the bottom of the tables. If the value is above the detection limit, it is compared to the uncertainty reported with the value. If the value is above the detection limit and greater than twice the uncertainty, it is regarded as a detection. The value of twice the uncertainty is used, rather than three times the uncertainty, to identify all cases where an analyte is present with a reasonable degree of certainty. If the analysis result is above the detection limit but less than two times the uncertainty associated with the measurement, it is considered a nondetection.

**Tritium Detection Limits.** The detection limit for tritium has been reported as 400 pCi/L in past surveillance reports. The uncertainties associated with tritium values at or near the detection limit have usually been reported as 300 to 400 pCi/L. In the past, the uncertainties reported for tritium in the tables have been identified as representing one standard deviation (one sigma). Recent communications with CST show that this value has been reported incorrectly. The value reported as the one sigma uncertainty should have been reported as a three sigma uncertainty.

Table 5-7 suggests a three sigma detection limit for tritium, using liquid scintillation techniques, of about 300 pCi/L. As discussed in Section 5.B.3, low detection level tritium analyses using electrolytic enrichment techniques have been made on numerous water samples from Los Alamos by the University of Miami Tritium Laboratory since 1992. Comparison of the University of Miami data with the CST data suggested that the detection limits historically reported by CST for tritium should be reevaluated. We determined tritium detection limits by two additional methods. These methods are based on analytical results, rather than CST reported uncertainties, as described below.

ESH-18 and CST-3 submit blanks to CST for tritium analysis. There were 17 blanks associated with ESH-18 samples submitted in 1995. The average tritium value reported for this data set is 6 pCi/L with a standard deviation (one sigma) of 275 pCi/L. This suggests that the CST analytical results are centered around zero with a three sigma detection limit of 825 pCi/L. The detection limit has previously been stated to be 400 pCi/L. Based on this limited data set, we suggest that a more accurate detection limit for tritium would be 800 to 900 pCi/L. Tritium values below 800 pCi/L would be regarded as nondetections.

The second method for evaluating tritium detection limits was based on estimating the standard deviation from duplicate measurements of tritium samples (Taylor 1987). To ensure that the samples used for this calculation were similar and measured at the same level of precision, only duplicates with uncertainties less than 500 pCi/L were used for this analysis. Laboratory replicates, duplicates, and field duplicates were all used with equal weight. A total of 17 duplicate measurements from the 1995 data set were used. This method gave a standard deviation of 635 pCi/L for a three sigma detection limit of 1,900 pCi/L. This suggests that tritium values reported by the CST analytical laboratory should be considered nondetections below about 2,000 pCi/L. This result offers an explanation for the widely diverging results reported by University of Miami and CST for duplicate samples.



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**d. Chromium Results.** Analyses for groundwater sampled March 29, 1995, from wells APCO-1 and LAO-3 showed extremely high levels of chromium. We suspected that potassium dichromate, typically added to preserve the mercury sample, was erroneously added to the metals sample bottle. Samples collected for mercury analysis are preserved with nitric acid and 5 drops of a 50 mg/mL solution of potassium dichromate. This quantity of preservative, if added to the one liter metals sample bottle would result in a chromium concentration of about 4,400 µg/L. The values reported for chromium in the March 29 samples were 5,300 and 7,700 µg/L in APCO-1, 4,700 and 7,000 µg/L in LAO-3. These values are well within the range that would be realized if the potassium dichromate preservative were added to the metals sample bottle instead of the mercury sample bottle. Further confirmation that the potassium dichromate preservative was added to the wrong sample bottle is found in elevated potassium levels that were measured in the March 29 samples when compared to the samples collected from the same wells three months later on June 23, 1995.

### 2. Surface Water Sampling

**a. Monitoring Network.** Two types of surface water samples are collected. Surface water grab samples are collected annually from locations where surface flows are typically maintained by effluent discharges or spring flows. Runoff samples are collected during or shortly after significant precipitation events. These samples are generally collected from locations where precipitation or snowmelt runoff is the only source of water.

**Regional Stations.** Regional surface water samples (Figure 5-1) were collected within 75 km (47 mi) of the Laboratory from seven stations on the Rio Grande, the Rio Chama, and the Jemez River. These waters provide baseline data from areas beyond the Laboratory boundary. Stations on the Rio Grande are at Embudo, Otowi, Frijoles Canyon, Cochiti, and Bernalillo. All the regional stations, except the Rio Grande at Frijoles, are located at current or former USGS stations. All these stations except the Rio Grande at Bernalillo station are currently maintained by the USGS. The Rio Grande at Bernalillo station was operated by the USGS from 1941 to 1969. Stream flows are reported annually in the USGS Water Data Report, Water Resources Data New Mexico.

**Pajarito Plateau Stations.** Surface water monitoring stations located on the Pajarito Plateau are shown in Figure 5-2. The station in Guaje Canyon is below Guaje Reservoir. Guaje Reservoir is located in upper Guaje Canyon and has a capacity of 871 m<sup>3</sup> (0.7 ac-ft) and a drainage area above the intake of about 14.5 km<sup>2</sup> (5.6 mi<sup>2</sup>). Flow into the reservoir is maintained by perennial springs. The stream and reservoir are used for recreation and storing water for landscape irrigation in the Los Alamos townsite.

Surface water sampling stations in Acid/Pueblo Canyon are at Acid Weir (where Acid Canyon joins the main channel of Pueblo Canyon), Pueblo 1, and Pueblo 2. Flow is irregular at these locations and depends mainly on snowmelt, thunderstorm runoff, and return flow from the shallow alluvium. Treated sanitary effluent is discharged from the Los Alamos County Bayo Sewage Treatment Plant below Pueblo 2. Surface water in Pueblo Canyon is sampled within the Laboratory boundaries below the treatment plant at Pueblo 3. Pueblo 3 is sampled at the lowest point in Pueblo Canyon where flowing water can be found on the day the sample is collected. During the summer months much of the discharge from the Bayo treatment plant is diverted for irrigation, and there are no flows at Pueblo 3. Pueblo Canyon discharges into Los Alamos Canyon at State Road 502 near the eastern Laboratory boundary.

Runoff samples are collected in three locations in Pueblo Canyon. The Pueblo at Land Fill station is located west of the Laboratory boundary across from the Pueblo School Complex. Pueblo at GS is located below the Pueblo 3 station. Runoff is also sampled where Pueblo Canyon intersects State Road 502.

Los Alamos Reservoir, in upper Los Alamos Canyon on the flanks of the mountains west of Los Alamos, has a capacity of 51,000 m<sup>3</sup> (41 ac-ft) and a drainage area of 16.6 km<sup>2</sup> (6.4 mi<sup>2</sup>). The reservoir is used for recreation and limited storage of water for irrigation of landscaping in the Los Alamos townsite. The sampling location at the reservoir outlet is the uppermost station in Los Alamos Canyon. In the fall of 1991, the Laboratory had the USGS resume operation of a stream flow gaging station a short distance upstream from State Road 4. This station was discontinued at the end of the 1995 water year. A LANL operated station, Pueblo Canyon near LA, replaces it. In lower Los Alamos Canyon, surface water samples are collected at the confluence with the Rio Grande.

DP Canyon is a small tributary of Los Alamos Canyon. There are two surface water sampling stations in DP Canyon, DPS-1 and DPS-4. Runoff samples are collected in DP Canyon above the confluence with Los Alamos Canyon. In Los Alamos Canyon, runoff is sampled at four stations. The furthest upstream station is Los Alamos at Upper Gaging Station (GS) just above the confluence with DP Canyon. Los Alamos at GS-1 is sampled about 1/2

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mile above State Road 4. Los Alamos at State Road 4 is sampled where Los Alamos Canyon crosses State Road 4. Los Alamos Canyon is also sampled just upstream of the confluence with the Rio Grande.

Three Sandia Canyon surface water sampling stations, SCS-1, SCS-2, and SCS-3, are located in the reach of the canyon where flows are maintained by effluent discharges. A surface water station, GS-1, is located in Mortandad Canyon a short distance downstream from the TA-50 effluent release point. Treated sanitary effluent (from the community of White Rock) often provides flow in Mortandad Canyon from White Rock to the confluence with the Rio Grande. This is sampled at the confluence with the Rio Grande. Surface water samples are collected from Cañada del Buey below TA-46. The waters sampled are primarily from effluents. There are two surface water stations in Pajarito Canyon. The uppermost station is below TA-18. This station samples effluent from TA-18, and the surface flows from Pajarito Canyon and Three Mile Canyon. Pajarito Canyon is also sampled at its confluence with the Rio Grande just east of the Laboratory. This location samples the perennial reach of the stream in Pajarito Canyon fed from springs. Runoff is sampled at two locations in Pajarito Canyon. Pajarito at State Road 501 is sampled above the highway. Pajarito at State Road 4 is sampled below the highway, south of the intersection of State Road 4 and Pajarito Road in White Rock. Spring-supplemented flows are sampled below the firing sites at TA-16 in Water Canyon at Beta Station. Spring-supported perennial flows in Ancho Canyon are sampled at the confluence with the Rio Grande. Runoff is sampled at Ancho Canyon near Bandelier where Ancho Canyon crosses State Road 4. Surface water flow in Frijoles Canyon is sampled at Bandelier National Monument Headquarters. Flow in the canyon is from spring discharge in the upper reach of the canyon. The drainage area above the monument headquarters is about 44 km<sup>2</sup> (17 mi<sup>2</sup>) (Purtymun 1980). Surface flow in Frijoles Canyon is also sampled at the confluence with the Rio Grande.

**b. Radiochemical Analytical Results.** The results of radiochemical analyses for surface water samples, excluding runoff, for 1995 are listed in Table 5-8. All of these analytical results are below the DOE DCGs for public exposure. The majority of the results are near or below the detection limits of the analytical methods used and below the DOE DCGs for drinking water systems (Appendix A) except for samples from DP Canyon (strontium-90) and Mortandad Canyon (plutonium-238 and americium-241). Most of the measurements at or above detection limits are from locations with previously known contamination: Pueblo Canyon, DP/Los Alamos Canyon, and Mortandad Canyon.

A few of the measurements at or above detection limits were from locations that do not typically show detectable activity. Table 5-9 summarizes radionuclide detections at locations outside the known contaminated areas in Pueblo, DP/Los Alamos, and Mortandad Canyons (See Section 5.B.1 for criteria for determining if a radionuclide is detected). Uranium values are not included in this table as it was unambiguously detected at nearly all locations due either to Laboratory activities or natural occurrence.

In 1995, samples collected at the Rio Grande at Otowi and the Rio Grande at Frijoles were collected from both the bank and as a width integrated sample collected from a transect perpendicular to the stream flow. Historically, samples have only been collected from the bank. The samples have been collected from the western bank of the river to look for possible Laboratory influence on water quality. The Rio Grande at Otowi station is upstream from possible Laboratory influence and is classified as a background station.

The analytical result from a previous sample collected at Rio Grande at Otowi showed americium-241 levels of  $-0.004 \pm 0.03$  pCi/L in 1993. A sample collected on September 15, 1995, at the Rio Grande at Otowi contained americium-241 at  $0.05 \pm 0.03$  pCi/L, which is considered a nondetection because the sample value is less than twice the uncertainty. This station is monitored to provide a measure of background values. The sample is taken upstream of Los Alamos Canyon and should show no Laboratory-derived contamination. The apparent detection of americium-241 at this location emphasizes that the detection limits should be used as a guide.

Regarding the 1995 measurements of plutonium-238 and americium-241 for Rio Grande at Bernalillo, previous results were  $0.036 \pm 0.03$  pCi/L and  $0.011 \pm 0.03$  pCi/L for 1993 and 1994 respectively, both nondetections.

Americium-241 was detected in surface water at Cañada del Buey. One other americium-241 analysis is available for Cañada del Buey. This sample was collected in 1994 with a concentration of  $0.023 \pm 0.03$  pCi/L and is considered a nondetection.

An elevated level of americium-241 ( $0.17 \pm 0.035$  pCi/L) was measured from a sample collected in Frijoles Canyon at the Bandelier National Monument Headquarters on June 2, 1995. While this level is above what is usually observed outside known contaminated areas, the concentration is nearly an order of magnitude lower than

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the DOE Drinking Water System DCG (1.2 pCi/L). A second sample was collected on July 27, 1995, and was regarded as a nondetection.

Measurements of radioactivity in surface water runoff are presented in Table 5-10. Detectable levels of plutonium-239,240 were observed in runoff in Los Alamos Canyon, and detectable levels of americium-241 were found in Pueblo and Los Alamos Canyons, consistent with earlier findings. Strontium-90 was measured in Los Alamos Canyon at State Road 4 and in Ancho Canyon near Bandelier National Monument. The concentration of strontium-90 (50.9 pCi/L) measured in the sample collected at Ancho Canyon near Bandelier was above the EPA Primary Drinking Water standard and the DOE Drinking Water DCG; this is unusual because this location is outside the known contaminated areas. The gross beta measurement (73 pCi/L) for this station supports the strontium-90 value. An elevated level of uranium was also observed in this sample. The runoff event in Ancho Canyon had an estimated peak flow of 1.1 m<sup>3</sup>/s (40 ft<sup>3</sup>/s). The sample was collected at a flow of approximately 0.2 m<sup>3</sup>/s (6 ft<sup>3</sup>/s).

The concentrations of plutonium in solution and in the suspended sediments are summarized in Table 5-11. (Radioactivity in solution refers to the filtrate that passes through a 0.45-micron filter; radioactivity in suspended sediments refers to the residue retained by the filter.) These are analyzed separately to estimate the fraction of plutonium associated with the liquid and suspended solid fractions. Results are consistent with past findings with elevated levels of plutonium, especially plutonium-239,240 in Los Alamos Canyon sediments. The highest concentrations are about an order of magnitude below the SALs for sediments (see Sediment Sampling section). Several samples showed dissolved concentrations of plutonium-239,240 just above detection limits.

### c. Nonradiochemical Analytical Results.

**Major Chemical Constituents.** The results of major chemical constituents in surface water samples for 1995 are listed in Table 5-12. The results are generally consistent with those observed in previous years, with some variability. The measurements in waters from areas receiving effluents show the effects of these effluents. The concentration of nitrates in the sample collected at Water Canyon at Beta was 9.6 mg/L (nitrate as nitrogen). This is only slightly below the EPA Drinking Water Standard of 10 mg/L.

**Trace Metals.** The results of trace metal analyses on surface water samples for 1995 are listed in Table 5-13. The levels are generally consistent with previous observations. As with the radiochemical samples, samples were collected from the bank and as width integrated samples at the Rio Grande at Otowi and the Rio Grande at Frijoles. The EPA action level was exceeded for lead at the Rio Grande at Frijoles for the width integrated sample. The sample collected from the bank showed a lead concentration a factor of three lower than the width integrated sample.

A beryllium concentration above the detection limit levels was measured in samples collected at the Rio Grande at Embudo (3 µg/L), the Rio Grande at Otowi (4 µg/L), and the Jemez River (4 µg/L). The EPA Drinking Water standard for beryllium is 4 µg/L.

A barium concentration of 520 µg/L was measured in the sample collected at Water Canyon at Beta, compared to NMWQCC Groundwater Limit of 1,000 µg/L. This sample also had an elevated level of nitrates as noted above. The presence of these contaminants and the proximity of the sample location to TA-16 suggests HE contamination. The sample collected in 1996 will be analyzed for HE.

The NMWQCC Groundwater Limit was exceeded for silver at all three stations in Sandia Canyon (SCS-1, SCS-2, and SCS-3) with concentrations of 63, 66, and 67 µg/L respectively. The uncertainty associated with these measurements was 40 µg/L. The measured values are less than two sigma and should be regarded as nondetections. Previous data from this location shows that the highest value observed in the period of record since 1981 for these stations was at SCS-1 in 1990 when silver was measured at 19 µg/L.

Our analytical detection limit (0.2 µg/L) is not adequate to determine if mercury is present in excess of the NM Wildlife Habitat stream standard of 0.012 µg/L. In 1995 mercury was observed above the detection limit of 0.2 µg/L at the station in Cañada del Buey.

Aluminum, iron, and manganese concentrations exceed EPA Secondary Drinking Water Standards at most locations. The results reflect the presence of suspended solids in the water samples. Because the metals analyses are performed on unfiltered water samples, the results will be high due to naturally occurring metals (e.g., aluminum, iron, manganese) associated with the suspended solids.

In 1994, cadmium values (150 µg/L) larger than the NM Wildlife Watering Standard (50 µg/L) were detected at Pajarito at the Rio Grande and at SCS-2 (EG 1996). Sampling or analytical inaccuracies were suspected as the cause of the SCS-2 value, as none of the other stations upstream or downstream of SCS-2 within Sandia Canyon

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showed elevated levels on the same day. The cadmium concentration at both these stations was below the detection limit in 1995.

**Organics.** The locations where organics analyses were performed in 1995 are summarized in Table 5-14. Table 5-15 summarizes the organic constituents detected in 1995. The only organic constituent detected in surface waters above the Limit of Quantitation (LOQ) was acetone found at Ancho at Rio Grande and Frijoles at Rio Grande. The presence of acetone in the laboratory method blank and the trip blank discounts these results.

**d. Long-Term Trends.** Long-term trends of the concentrations of tritium and dissolved total plutonium (the portion of the sample that passes through a 0.45-micron membrane filter) in surface water in Mortandad Canyon are depicted in Figure 5-3. These measurements were made on samples collected at the station Mortandad at GS-1, which is a short distance downstream of the TA-50 effluent discharge into Mortandad Canyon. In general, there has been a decrease in the combined levels of plutonium-238 and plutonium-239,240 (in solution) since 1981. All plutonium values exceed the detection limit of 0.04 pCi/L; all tritium concentrations exceed the detection limit of 2 nCi/L except for a sample collected in April 1988.

### 3. Groundwater Sampling

**a. Monitoring Network.** There are three principal groups of groundwater sampling locations, related to the three modes of occurrence of groundwater in the Los Alamos area: main (or regional) aquifer, alluvial perched groundwater in the canyons, and the localized intermediate-depth perched groundwater systems. The sampling locations for the main aquifer, the intermediate-depth perched groundwater systems, and for springs interpreted to be discharging from either the main aquifer (Purtymun 1980) or from the perched intermediate systems are shown in Figure 5-4. The sampling locations for the canyon alluvial perched groundwater systems are shown in Figure 5-5.

Some water for drinking and industrial use has been obtained from a well at the Laboratory's experimental geothermal site (Fenton Hill, TA-57) about 45 km (28 mi) west of Los Alamos on Forest Service land. Due to cessation of operations and impending closure of this site by the DOE, environmental surveillance there has been discontinued.

As a result of budget constraints, approximately half of the White Rock Canyon springs were sampled in 1995. The remainder are scheduled for 1996.

**Main Aquifer.** Sampling locations for the main aquifer include test wells, supply wells, and springs. The sampling locations, including geologic sections, well construction details, and water depths, are described by Purtymun (1995a). Eight deep test wells, completed into the main aquifer, are routinely sampled. These test wells were drilled by the USGS between 1949 and 1960 using the cable tool method. The wells penetrate only a few hundred feet into the upper part of the main aquifer, and the casings are not cemented.

Three of the test wells are located in the Los Alamos and Pueblo Canyons' drainages. TW-4, drilled in 1950 on the mesa above Acid Canyon, is near the former outfall of the decommissioned TA-45 Radioactive Liquid Waste Treatment Plant. TW-2, drilled in 1949, is in the middle reach of Pueblo Canyon, downstream from the confluence with Acid Canyon, on Los Alamos County land. TW-1, drilled in 1950, is in the lower reach of Pueblo Canyon, near the boundary with the Pueblo of San Ildefonso.

One test well is located in Los Alamos Canyon and one in Mortandad Canyon. TW-3, drilled in 1949, is in the middle reach of Los Alamos Canyon just upstream from the confluence with DP Canyon. TW-8, drilled in 1960, is in the middle reach of Mortandad Canyon, downstream from the TA-50 Radioactive Liquid Waste Treatment Plant NPDES-permitted outfall. Three test wells are located on the mesa at the southern edge of the Laboratory at TA-49, the site of the hydronuclear tests that were conducted in 1960 and 1961. Test wells DT-5A, DT-9, and DT-10 all were drilled in 1960.

Samples were also collected from nine deep water supply wells in three well fields that produce water for the Laboratory and community. The well fields include the Guaje Well Field, located off site in Guaje Canyon on US Forest Service lands northeast of the Laboratory and the on-site Pajarito and Otowi fields. The Guaje Well Field contains seven wells, five of which had significant production during 1994. The five wells of the Pajarito Well Field are located in Sandia and Pajarito Canyons and on mesa tops between those canyons. Two new water supply wells were completed in 1990. These are the first wells in a new field designated as the Otowi Well Field, and the wells were designated Otowi-1 and Otowi-4. Otowi-4 was connected to the distribution system and began production during 1993, but was shut down due to pump failure during 1995.

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Additional samples were taken from 13 other wells located in the Santa Fe Group of sedimentary deposits. These wells were sampled as part of the special sampling on the Pueblo of San Ildefonso (Section 5.E.3.a).

Numerous springs near the Rio Grande were sampled because they are interpreted to be representative of natural discharge from the main aquifer (Purtymun 1980). Based on their chemistry, the springs in White Rock Canyon are divided into four groups. Three groups (I, II, and III) have similar, aquifer-related chemical quality. The chemical quality of springs in Group IV reflects local conditions in the aquifer, which are probably related to waters discharging through faults in volcanics. Two additional springs, Indian and Sacred Springs, are west of the river in lower Los Alamos Canyon. These two springs discharge from faults in the siltstones and sandstones of the Tesuque Formation.

***Perched Groundwater in Canyon Alluvium.*** The alluvial perched groundwater in five canyons was sampled by means of shallow observation wells as part of the routine monitoring program. As described above, Pueblo and Los Alamos Canyons are former radioactive effluent release areas, and Mortandad Canyon presently receives treated radioactive effluents. The fourth is Pajarito Canyon, immediately south of the existing solid and liquid waste management areas at TA-54 on Mesita del Buey. The fifth is Cañada del Buey, immediately north of TA-54 and downstream of the Laboratory's SWSC project. The extent of saturation in the alluvial groundwater systems varies seasonally, in response to variations in runoff from snowmelt, summer thunderstorms, and discharges from the Laboratory's NPDES-permitted outfalls. In any given year, some of these alluvial observations wells may be dry, and thus no water samples can be obtained. Observation wells in Water, Fence, and Sandia Canyons have been dry since their installation in 1989. Most of the wells in Cañada del Buey are dry, except for CDBO-6 and CDBO-7.

***Intermediate-Depth Perched Groundwater.*** Perched groundwater of limited extent occurs in the conglomerates and basalts beneath the alluvium in portions of Pueblo, Los Alamos, and Sandia Canyons. Samples are obtained from two test wells and one spring. TW-2A (drilled in 1949) is located in the middle reach of Pueblo Canyon. TW-1A (drilled in 1950) is located in the lower reach of Pueblo Canyon. Perched water in the basaltic rocks is also sampled from Basalt Spring, which is in lower Los Alamos Canyon on the Pueblo of San Ildefonso.

Perched groundwater was observed during the drilling of water supply wells Otowi-4 in Los Alamos Canyon and Otowi-1 in Pueblo Canyon and in the basalts in water supply well PM-1 in Sandia Canyon. It was also observed during the drilling of borehole LADP-3 and borehole LAOI-1.1 in Los Alamos Canyon in the Guaje Pumice at the base of the Bandelier Tuff.

Some perched water occurs in volcanics on the flanks of the Jemez Mountains off site to the west of the Laboratory. This water discharges at several springs (Armstead and American) and yields a significant flow from a gallery in Water Canyon. The gallery contributed to the Los Alamos water supply for 41 years, producing 23 to 96 million gal./yr. Since 1988 it has only been used for makeup water for the steam plant at TA-16, producing 1.6 million gal. in 1995.

**b. Radiochemical Analytical Results.** The results of radiochemical analyses of groundwater samples for 1995 are listed in Table 5-16. Discussion of the results will address the main aquifer, the canyon alluvial groundwater, and finally the intermediate perched groundwater system.

***Radiochemical Constituents in the Main Aquifer.*** For samples from wells or springs in the main aquifer, most of the results for tritium; strontium-90; uranium; plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; americium-241; and gross beta were below the DOE DCGs or the EPA or NM standards applicable to a drinking water system. The exceptions are discussed below. In addition, most of the results were near or below the detection limits of the analytical methods used.

Some samples from wells and springs contained levels of plutonium or americium slightly above analytical method detection limits. For several reasons, none of the findings are interpreted to represent contamination of the main aquifer by plutonium or americium. One reason to suspect the validity of a radiochemical analysis is inconsistencies between the types of analyses, (such as apparent plutonium-238 without any corresponding plutonium-239,240 or vice versa). Large counting uncertainties in the measurements at the low levels near average detection limits (often 50% or more of the value) are another issue that makes the validity of very low reported radionuclide concentrations questionable (see Section 5.B.1). In the case of springs, the fact that such samples often must be collected in contact with surface rocks or channel sediments, which might have been contaminated by global fallout, means that sample concentrations reflect radionuclides in these sediments rather than the

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groundwater. One example of a suspect analysis was an apparent detection of americium-241 in PM-4 ( $.109 \pm .028$  pCi/L), which was contradicted by a lower value ( $.023 \pm .009$  pCi/L) on reanalysis.

La Mesita Spring and Sandia Spring have high uranium concentrations. Samples from springs in this area have always contained a relatively high concentration of natural uranium (Purtymun 1980), although the value for Sandia Spring is higher than previously noted. The uranium concentrations for these springs are both below the proposed EPA primary drinking water MCL of 20  $\mu\text{g/L}$ , however. These two springs also have high gross alpha values, at or above the EPA primary drinking water standard of 15 pCi/L.

Water supply well G-1A had an apparent strontium-90 detection of  $3.9 \pm 0.7$  pCi/L. This value is just above the strontium-90 detection limit of 3 pCi/L. Another analysis gave a result of  $7.4 \pm 3.5$  pCi/L, which has a very high uncertainty making interpretation of this result difficult. No prior strontium-90 data are available for this well for comparison. Preliminary results of 1996 samples indicate no trace of strontium-90 in samples from this well. Spring 9B also had a possible strontium-90 detection of  $5.1 \pm 0.7$  pCi/L.

All cesium-137 measurements of samples from the main aquifer wells and springs for 1994 are less than 5% of the DCG applicable to DOE Drinking Water Systems and less than the detection limit of 4 pCi/L.

Tritium measurements of samples from main aquifer wells and springs were near or below the detection limit for the EPA-specified liquid scintillation analytical method. These results are for the most part consistent with additional special tritium measurements made as part of a study utilizing trace-level measurements of tritium to estimate the age of water in the main aquifer (see Section 5.E.2). A notable exception is the tritium value for test well DT-10 which was  $2,100 \pm 400$  pCi/L. This differs with a low-detection-limit value determined by the University of Miami of  $3.16 \pm 0.29$  pCi/L. Another discrepancy is the value for Sacred Spring which was  $3,800 \pm 600$  pCi/L. This compares to a low-detection-limit value determined by the University of Miami of  $3.42 \pm 0.35$  pCi/L. The difference between these results suggests that the detection limit for the liquid scintillation method is at times much higher, perhaps 2,000 to 4,000 pCi/L, than the stated 400 pCi/L detection limit. Other similar discrepancies between the methods are discussed in Section 5.E.3.

**Radiochemical Constituents in Alluvial Groundwater.** Additional data for alluvial groundwaters are presented in Section 5.E.1. Both filtered and unfiltered samples were analyzed as part of this study, to evaluate the role of suspended sediment particles on observed concentrations.

For some of the alluvial groundwater samples the americium-241 analysis was done initially by direct counting on a germanium lithium detector. This method has typical counting uncertainties of 20 to 40 pCi/L. The samples were rerun by the usual radiochemistry alpha spectroscopy (RAS) method which has a detection limit of about 0.04 pCi/L and counting uncertainties of about 0.02 pCi/L.

None of the alluvial groundwater concentrations are above the DOE DCGs for Public Dose for Ingestion of Environmental Water. Except for strontium-90 values in some samples from Los Alamos and Mortandad Canyons, none of the concentrations exceed DOE DCGs applicable to a drinking water system. (See Section 5.E.1) Levels of tritium; cesium-137; uranium; plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; strontium-90; and gross alpha, beta, and gamma are all within the range of values observed in recent years.

The samples of the alluvial groundwater in Los Alamos Canyon show residual contamination, as has been seen since the original installation of the monitoring wells in the 1960s. In particular, for LAO-2 and LAO-3, the concentration of strontium-90 exceeds the EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard MCL of 8 pCi/L. No low-detection-limit tritium data were collected for alluvial groundwaters in Los Alamos Canyon in 1995. These data were used in 1994 (EG 1996) to show that residual tritium contamination resulting from the Omega West Reactor leak was still present. This residual tritium contamination was found at levels below the detection limit of the EPA-specified liquid scintillation counting method, and far below the present EPA tritium drinking water standard of 20,000 pCi/L.

Well LAO-0.7 had an unusual uranium value of  $15.4 \pm 1.5$   $\mu\text{g/L}$ . Uranium values in Los Alamos Canyon alluvial groundwater have ranged from the detection limit up to a few values of 5 to 8  $\mu\text{g/L}$  since 1990. As in prior years, detections of americium-241 were ubiquitous in the canyon, and plutonium-238 and plutonium-239,240 detections occurred in some of the wells.

The alluvial groundwater samples from Mortandad Canyon showed levels of radionuclides within the ranges observed previously. Tritium; strontium-90; plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; americium-241; gross alpha; and gross beta are clearly detected in many of the wells. Well MCO-4 was not in service, so samples from nearby well MCO-4B are used in its place. The radionuclide levels tend to be highest at well MCO-4B, which is nearest to the TA-50 outfall, and are lower further down the canyon. The levels of tritium, strontium-90, gross alpha, and gross

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beta exceed EPA drinking water criteria in many of the wells; the levels (except for tritium) exceed the DOE Drinking Water System DCGs; but the levels do not exceed the DOE DCGs for Public Dose for Ingestion of Environmental Water. There are no EPA drinking water criteria for plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; or americium-241. The DOE Drinking Water System DCGs for these radionuclides were not exceeded in Mortandad Canyon alluvial groundwater.

As observed in 1994, Pueblo Canyon well APCO-1 had a plutonium-239,240 level ( $.105 \pm 0.021$  pCi/L) above the detection limit. This well also had a americium-241 level ( $0.076 \pm 0.02$  pCi/L) above the detection limit. Pajarito Canyon wells PCO-2 and PCO-2 had americium-241 values above the detection limit.

**Radiochemical Constituents in Intermediate-Depth Perched Groundwater.** The radioactivity measurements in samples from TW-1A, 2A, and Basalt Spring in the intermediate-depth perched zones in Pueblo Canyon indicate a connection with surface water and alluvial groundwaters in Pueblo Canyon. Intermediate-depth perched zone waters have long been known to be influenced by contaminated surface water in the canyon based on measurements of major inorganic ions. TW-2A, furthest upstream and closest to the historical discharge area in Acid Canyon, showed the highest levels. The tritium measurement obtained by conventional methods was 2,100 pCi/L. In previous years this has been confirmed by the low detection limit measurements of about 2,300 pCi/L (EG 1996). In contrast to 1994, 1991, and 1990, TW-1A showed no traces of cesium-137. Both TW-1A and TW 2A had plutonium-239,240 levels (both about  $0.06 \pm 0.02$  pCi/L) slightly above the detection limit.

The sample from the Water Canyon gallery was consistent with previous results, showing no evidence of contamination from Los Alamos operations.

**c. Nonradiochemical Analytical Results.** The results of general chemical parameter analyses of groundwater samples for 1995 are listed in Table 5-17, and results of total recoverable metal analyses are listed in Table 5-18. Discussion of the results will address the main aquifer, the canyon alluvial groundwaters, and the intermediate perched groundwater system. Finally, results of organic analyses will be discussed.

**Nonradioactive Constituents in the Main Aquifer.** Values for all parameters measured in the water supply wells were within drinking water limits, with the following exceptions. A nitrate value of 9.9 mg/L was found in well G-1A; values of this size have never been observed previously in this well and no such values were found in the regular SDWA sampling (see Section 5.C). Preliminary 1996 results show a nitrate concentration of 0.49 mg/L, or background levels. Reported silver values were in the range of 40 to 60 µg/L, compared to the NMWQCC groundwater limit of 50 µg/L. However, the analytical uncertainty for these measurements is  $\pm 40$  µg/L so the resolution of the measurements is insufficient to define these low levels of silver. The arsenic level in well G-2 was about 96% of the standard of 50 µg/L and was similar to previous measurements. The vanadium level in well G-2 of 91 µg/L is within the EPA health advisory range of 80 to 110 µg/L but is lower than the 1993 value of 260 µg/L.

The test wells in the main aquifer showed levels of several constituents that exceed standards for drinking water distribution systems. However, the test wells are used for monitoring purposes only and are not part of the water supply system. TW-1 had a nitrate value above the primary drinking water standard of 10 mg/L (nitrate as nitrogen). This test well has shown nitrate levels in the range of about 5 to 20 mg/L (nitrate as nitrogen) since the early 1980s. The source of the nitrate is apparently infiltration from sewage treatment effluent in Pueblo Canyon.

Levels of trace metals that approach water quality standards in some of the test wells are believed to be associated with the more than 40-yr-old steel casings and pump columns. Iron, manganese, cadmium, nickel, antimony, and zinc were high in several of the main aquifer test wells. These trace metal values must be regarded as total, rather than dissolved concentrations, in that they include the composition of any suspended sediment contained in the water samples. Lead levels exceeded the EPA action level in TW-1, 2, 3 and 4. Several of the test wells have occasionally had elevated lead levels in previous years, and unusually high lead values were reported for 1993 (EARE 1995). The lead levels appear to be due to flaking from piping installed in the test wells and do not represent lead in solution in the water (EG 1996). There are no known sources of lead near these wells, and dissolved lead levels in natural waters of near neutral pH (pH ~7) are commonly extremely low (Hem 1989). Trace metal levels in both filtered and unfiltered samples for test well DT-5A were low. This well had the highest lead levels in 1993.

Overall, trace metal levels in the White Rock Canyon springs were much lower than for 1993 and 1994. Samples from a few springs in White Rock Canyon showed aluminum levels that exceed NMWQCC Livestock and Wildlife Watering Standards. These levels are not dissolved concentrations, but reflect the composition of

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suspended sediments. Many of the springs have very low flow rates and samples are collected in small pools in contact with the surrounding soils. Samples from several of the springs showed levels of iron and, in some cases, manganese that would exceed secondary standards for drinking water systems. However, these elements are also associated with suspended sediment particles. Unlike 1994, none of the springs exceeded standards for silver or arsenic. Several springs had cadmium levels above the drinking water MCL. Indian Spring exceeded the standard for beryllium, and Sandia Spring had high lead and vanadium values.

***Nonradioactive Constituents in Alluvial Groundwater.*** Alluvial canyon groundwater in Pueblo, Los Alamos, and Mortandad Canyons, which receive effluents, showed the effects of those effluents, in that levels of some parameters were elevated. Mortandad Canyon alluvial groundwater exceeds the NMWQCC groundwater standard for fluoride and nitrate. Nitric acid is used in plutonium processing at TA-55 and enters the TA-50 waste stream. Mortandad Canyon alluvial groundwater is also high in sodium. Nitrate levels in Pajarito Canyon wells PCO-2 and PCO-3 and Cañada del Buey well CDBO-6 also approached or exceeded the NMWQCC groundwater standard.

Overall, trace metal levels in alluvial groundwater samples were much lower than for 1993 and 1994. Well LAO-0.7 again showed levels of beryllium and barium approaching or exceeding water quality standards. Cañada del Buey wells CDBO-6 and CDBO-7 had high lead values. Cadmium, nickel, molybdenum, manganese, lead, and thallium levels were exceeded in some of the Los Alamos Canyon alluvial wells.

***Nonradioactive Constituents in Intermediate-Depth Perched Groundwater.*** The nitrate value for TW-1A approached the NMWQCC groundwater and EPA drinking water standard. In previous years, the nitrate values for TW-1A, 2A, and Basalt Spring exceeded these standards. The presence of nitrate is probably related to infiltration of sewage treatment effluent beneath Pueblo Canyon.

TW-2A had levels of cadmium, lead, and zinc approaching or exceeding water quality standards. Again, the detection of these metals in TW-2A probably reflects flaking of metals from pump hardware and the well casing rather than the existence of dissolved metals in the groundwater. Otherwise, the intermediate perched groundwater and the Water Canyon Gallery did not show any concentrations of trace metals that are of concern.

***Organic Constituents in Groundwater.*** Analyses for organic constituents were performed on selected springs and alluvial observation wells in 1995. The stations sampled are listed in Table 5-19. Other organic results are discussed in Section 5.E. Samples were analyzed for volatile organic compounds (VOCs), semivolatile organic compounds (SVOCs), and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). Three springs were analyzed for HE constituents. The samples where organics were detected above the analytical LOQ are listed in Table 5-20.

HE constituents were detected in Ancho Spring. The detection of these HE constituents in Ancho Spring may reflect surface soil contamination rather than groundwater contamination by HE. This spring is below the explosives testing sites in the southern portion of the Laboratory. Trinitrotoluene detections in Ancho Spring and Spring 9 were discounted by the presence of this substance in the laboratory method blanks. As a result of this discovery, ESH-18 will conduct additional analyses for HE in this area. The only other organic detection not explained by possible contamination during laboratory analysis was chloroethane in Basalt Spring. Numerous tentatively identified compounds were listed for Basalt Spring. These later identifications reflect analytical measurements which do not correspond to cataloged organic compounds.

### d. Long-Term Trends.

***Main Aquifer.*** The long-term trends of the water quality in the main aquifer have shown little impact resulting from Laboratory operations. Except for low levels of tritium contamination found at four locations in Los Alamos and Pueblo Canyons and one location in Mortandad Canyon, no concentrations of radionuclides above detection limits have been measured on water samples from the production wells or test wells that reach the main aquifer other than an occasional analytical outlier not confirmed by analysis of subsequent samples. The apparent detection of strontium-90 in TW-3 in 1994 (EG 1996) presently appears to be due to analytical error, because the gross beta measurement does not support the strontium result. The apparent detection of strontium-90 in TW-4 in 1994 (EG 1996) has not been substantiated by prior or subsequent measurements.

Measurements of tritium by extremely low detection limit analytical methods (EARE 1995; EG 1996) show the presence of some recent recharge (meaning within the last four decades) in water samples from six wells into the main aquifer at Los Alamos. The levels measured range from less than 2% to less than a 0.01% of current drinking water standards, and are all less than levels that could be detected by the EPA-specified analytical methods normally used to determine compliance with drinking water regulations. Recent detection of lead in the main



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aquifer test wells appears to have resulted from contamination by well casings, pumps, and monitoring devices (EARE 1995).

The long-term trends of water levels in the water supply and test wells in the main aquifer indicate that there is no major depletion of the resource as a result of pumping for the Los Alamos water supply (Purtymun 1995b).

**Alluvial Perched Groundwater in Mortandad Canyon.** Long-term trends of radionuclide concentrations in shallow alluvial perched groundwater in Mortandad Canyon (downstream from the NPDES-permitted outfall for the radioactive waste treatment facility at TA-50) are depicted in Figure 5-6. The samples are from Observation well MCO-6 in the middle reach of the canyon. The combined total of plutonium-238 and plutonium-239,240 concentrations are relatively constant, fluctuating up and down in response to variations in the treatment plant effluent and storm runoff that cause some dilution in the shallow alluvial water. Note that the current plutonium detection limit of 0.04 pCi/L applies to the separate analyses of plutonium-238 and plutonium-239,240, and might be doubled for the addition of these values, since results are often at or near the detection limit. The tritium concentration has fluctuated almost in direct response (with a time lag of about one year) to the average annual concentration of tritium in the TA-50 effluent.

### 4. Sediment Sampling

**a. Monitoring Network.** Sediment samples are collected from regional stations and Pajarito Plateau stations surrounding the Laboratory. Regional sediment sampling stations are located within northern New Mexico and southern Colorado at distances up to 200 km (124 mi) from the Laboratory. Samples from these regional stations provide a basis for determining conditions (such as radionuclide concentrations resulting from fallout) beyond the range of potential influence from normal Laboratory operations. Stations on the Pajarito Plateau are located within about 4 km (2.5 mi) of the Laboratory boundary. They document conditions in areas potentially affected by Laboratory operations. The majority of Pajarito Plateau stations are located within the Laboratory boundary.

Sample stations are located to provide background data and to detect potential contaminant releases from Laboratory operations. The locations of many stations have not changed since they were first sampled in the mid-1960s to early 1980s, hence long-term trends at individual stations are available. Additional sediment sampling may also be periodically conducted in special areas for special studies.

During 1995, sediment samples were collected from 93 regional and Pajarito Plateau stations to evaluate impacts of Laboratory operations on the environment. Of 25 regional samples, 9 are from rivers and 16 from reservoirs; of the 68 Pajarito Plateau samples, 21 are specifically related to waste storage sites. Fifteen of the samples were collected at either San Ildefonso or Santa Clara Pueblos. Locations of individual sampling stations are shown in Figures 5-2, 5-7, and 5-8. The sediment stations are organized according to drainages. Several of the Pajarito Plateau stream channel locations may be perennial over short stretches (often in response to Laboratory discharges, thunderstorm runoff, or snowmelt activity); however, most of these streams are intermittent or ephemeral. Reservoir samples are collected from regional and local reservoirs in northern New Mexico and southern Colorado.

**Regional Stations.** As seen in Figure 5-1, seven regional stations for stream channel sediments are located in drainages surrounding the Laboratory. These drainages include the Rio Chama, the Rio Grande, and the Jemez River. During 1995, 15 reservoir sediment samples were also collected from the upper, middle, and lower portions of 5 regional reservoirs, and from the middle of 2 small lakes. The regional reservoirs include El Vado, Heron, and Abiquiu Reservoirs on the Rio Chama; Cochiti Reservoir on the Rio Grande; and Rio Grande Reservoir in southern Colorado. A lake sediment sample was collected from Love Lake, a small 5 acre tributary lake located in the San Juan National Forest about 24 km (15 mi) south of Creede, Colorado, near the Rio Grande Reservoir. A second special lake sediment sample was collected from 4th Pond in Santa Clara Canyon on Santa Clara Pueblo (the uppermost reservoir on Santa Clara Creek).

**Pajarito Plateau Stations.** Many of the sediment sampling stations on the Pajarito Plateau are located to monitor contaminated sediment transport from past effluent release sites. As seen in Figure 5-7, one sampling station is located in Acid Canyon at Acid Weir just above the confluence with Pueblo Canyon, and two stations are downstream in Pueblo Canyon at stations Pueblo 1 and Pueblo 2. Pueblo Canyon then flows onto Laboratory land where three additional downstream sediment stations are located: Hamilton Bend Spring, Pueblo 3, and Pueblo at State Route 502.

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Eight sediment sampling stations are located in DP and Los Alamos Canyons above the confluence with Pueblo Canyon at State Route 4. An additional six stations are located in lower Los Alamos Canyon above its confluence with the Rio Grande at Otowi Bridge.

Seven sediment samples are collected in Mortandad Canyon below the TA-50 NPDES-permitted outfall. An additional six sediment samples have been collected in the off-site portion of Mortandad Canyon on Pueblo of San Ildefonso land to document conditions there, as discussed in Section 5.E.3.

Seven other canyons around the Laboratory are also sampled along channel segments that cross State Route 4 between White Rock and Bandelier National Monument. All Laboratory facilities near these canyons are located upstream of this highway. An additional seven sediment samples have also been taken from these same canyons just above their confluence with the Rio Grande. One sediment sample is collected in Frijoles Canyon at the Bandelier National Monument Headquarters.

Sediments from drainages around two radioactive solid waste management areas are sampled to monitor transport of radioactivity from surface contamination. Nine sampling stations were established in 1982 outside the perimeter fence at Area G, TA-54 (Figure 5-8a), to monitor possible transport of radionuclides by sheet erosion from the active waste storage and disposal area.

From 1959 to 1961, hydronuclear experiments were conducted in underground shafts beneath the surface of the mesa at TA-49. The experiments involved a combination of conventional (chemical) high explosives and radionuclides. The residuals of the experiments were confined within the shafts. The site is designated Solid Waste Management Area AB. In 1960 a surface contamination incident occurred when an old shaft was accidentally breached during the excavation of a new shaft (Purtymun 1987b, ESG 1988). Eleven stations were established in 1972 to monitor surface sediments in drainages surrounding the experimental area. Another station (AB-4A) was added in 1981 as the surface drainage changed (Figure 5-8b).

**b. Radiochemical Analytical Results.** The results of radiochemical analyses of sediment samples collected during 1995 are listed in Table 5-21. All of the 1995 sediment samples appeared to be consistent with previous years' results. The majority of the sediment samples collected outside known radioactive effluent release areas were within the background levels that reflect worldwide fallout (Purtymun 1987a). A majority of sediment samples from the known radioactive effluent release areas, including Acid/Pueblo, DP/Los Alamos, and Mortandad Canyons, exceeded worldwide fallout levels for numerous constituents. These observed levels are consistent with historical data. Two sediment samples from stations GS-1 and MCO-5 in Mortandad Canyon showed a cesium-137 concentration level that exceeded the SAL value. No other sediment samples showed any values that exceeded respective SAL values, although reported values from stations GS-1 and MCO-5 were relatively high for plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; and americium-241 (that is, more than 100 times background levels). These elevated values for radionuclides are consistent with historical values and reflect TA-50 effluent discharges into Mortandad Canyon since 1963. Samples taken on Pueblo of San Ildefonso land in Mortandad Canyon are discussed in detail in Section 5.E.3.

In the samples from the regional stations, the sample from Chamita showed a strontium-90 value above background. This reported value is questionable, however, because the laboratory QA values were unsatisfactory. Previous samples at Chamita have not exceeded the background levels for any radionuclide. The sample from the Rio Grande at Otowi showed slightly elevated plutonium-238 and plutonium-239,240 values when compared to background values. The sample from Rio Grande at Frijoles also showed a slightly elevated plutonium-238 value. However, all of these variations are consistent with data from previous years.

Ten Pajarito Plateau stations showed plutonium-238 values slightly above background. These stations included Bayo at State Road 502, Guaje at State Road 502, Sandia at the Rio Grande, MCO-13 (A-5) in Mortandad Canyon, Pajarito at State Road 4, Fence at State Road 4, Ancho at State Road 4 and at the Rio Grande, Chaquehui at the Rio Grande, and Frijoles at the Rio Grande. However, only three of these same stations also showed plutonium-239,240 values above background; these stations included Pajarito at State Road 4, MCO-13 (A-5) in Mortandad Canyon, and Chaquehui at the Rio Grande. Potrillo at State Road 4, Indio at State Road 4, and Chaquehui at the Rio Grande showed slightly above background levels of strontium-90. Station A-6 in Mortandad Canyon and Chaquehui at the Rio Grande also showed above-background levels of cesium-137. All of these somewhat elevated values may be related to multiple sources, including atmospheric fallout, surface deposition from stack emissions, or surface transport from various Laboratory sources.

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At TA-54, Area G a number of stations exceeded background levels for tritium; plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; americium-241; and gross gamma. At TA-49, Area AB, station AB-4 exceeded the background level for cesium-137, while AB-3 showed a value slightly above background for americium-241. Furthermore, stations AB-1, AB-2, AB-3, AB-4A, AB-7, and AB-8 showed values slightly above-background for plutonium-238. Values at stations AB-2, AB-3, AB-4, and AB-6 were also slightly above-background levels with respect to plutonium-239,240. All of these values are consistent with earlier observations from these same stations.

Results of the radiochemical analyses of the large 1 kg samples collected in 1995 from El Vado, Heron, Abiquiu, Cochiti, and Rio Grande Reservoirs, and Love Lake and Santa Clara Pond Number 4, are similar to those from previous years. Unfortunately, most of these 1-kg reservoir samples collected during 1995 were analyzed as if they were 100 g samples. Hence, higher detection limits might apply as seen in Table 5-21. Levels of plutonium-238 in the samples from the upper stations in Abiquiu and Cochiti Reservoirs, and the middle and lower stations at Heron Reservoir, exceeded the background level (Purtymun 1987a). None of the other sediment samples exceeded background levels for other radionuclides listed in Table 5-21.

The results of the reservoir analyses are best interpreted in conjunction with information from a special study by Purtymun (1990b), which provides a regional context for analyses of reservoir sediments. The conclusions of greatest significance to interpreting the current samples from the five reservoirs are (1) the mean plutonium concentrations in Cochiti Reservoir are almost identical to the mean plutonium concentrations found in the Rio Grande Reservoir in Colorado; (2) reservoirs on the Rio Chama exhibit lower plutonium concentrations in sediments than those found in Rio Grande reservoirs; and (3) the isotopic ratios of plutonium-239,240 to plutonium-238 from these reservoir sediments suggest that plutonium deposition from fallout is not homogeneous but varies with differences in weather, altitude, erosion, and sediment transport conditions.

The data from the 1995 plutonium analyses are shown in a long-term context in Table 5-22. Abiquiu Reservoir historically has had some of the lowest plutonium concentration ranges and isotopic ratios observed, while Cochiti Reservoir has some of the highest. However, sediments from Cochiti Reservoir contain a higher fraction of fine-grained materials and organic matter than sediments from Abiquiu Reservoir. These features enhance the capacity of the sediments to adsorb plutonium. The isotope ratios of plutonium-239,240 to plutonium-238 from these reservoirs are nearly identical, averaging about 15, and are typical of worldwide fallout in northern New Mexico. However, sediments from Acid/Pueblo Canyon exhibit ratios of plutonium-239,240 to plutonium-238 that are typically 20 times larger than worldwide fallout values as can be seen from data in Table 5-21. These observations suggest that contributions of radionuclides from Los Alamos Canyon to Cochiti Reservoir average less than 10% of the total inventory carried in Rio Grande sediments (see Section 5.E.4).

### c. Nonradiochemical Analytical Results.

**Trace Metals.** Beginning in 1992, sediments were analyzed for trace metals. Trace metal results for the sediment samples collected in 1995 are presented in Table 5-23. None of the results show any significant accumulations of metals above background concentrations. Laboratory procedures for metals analyses changed in 1993 (see Section 5.B.1). The 1992 sediment metals data should not be compared to the 1993–1995 metals data due to differences in laboratory preparation methods.

Reported detection limits for antimony, mercury, and molybdenum increased from 1992 to 1995 (that is, from about 0.05 mg/kg, 0.01 mg/kg, and 0.30 mg/kg, respectively, to about 0.20 mg/kg, 0.10 mg/kg, and 2.0 mg/kg, respectively). These differences probably resulted from a decrease in the typical sediment sample size from 250 mg in 1992 to 125 mg in 1995. The reported 1992 iron values were two to three times higher than their counterparts in 1995, and 1992 aluminum values were about 10 times larger than their 1995 counterparts. Reported 1992 values for aluminum and iron in Table IV-22 of the “Environmental Surveillance at Los Alamos during 1992” (EPG 1994) should each be multiplied by a factor of 10; this omission resulted from a unit conversion error.

**Organic Analyses.** Beginning in 1993, sediments were analyzed for VOCs and SVOCs, and PCBs. In 1995, some samples were analyzed for residuals from HE. Lists of individual compounds that were analyzed in the laboratory during 1995 are given in Tables 5-3 through 5-5.

Because of budgetary constraints in 1995, sediment samples for VOCs, SVOCs, and HE residues were analyzed from about one-sixth of the regional and local stations. The analytical results confirmed that there were no VOC, SVOC, and HE residues detected above the respective LOQ in any of the sediment samples collected during 1995. The stations sampled are listed in Table 5-24.

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**d. Long-Term Trends.** The concentrations of radioactivity in sediments from Acid, Pueblo, and lower Los Alamos Canyons that may be transported off-site are fully documented (ESG 1981). The data indicate that concentrations of radionuclides in sediments from Acid, Pueblo, and lower Los Alamos Canyons have been relatively constant at each location since 1980, given some degree of yearly fluctuation in the data. The total plutonium concentrations (plutonium-238 plus plutonium-239,240) observed since 1980 in sediments at four indicator locations are shown in Figure 5-9.

Figure 5-9 also depicts total plutonium concentrations at four sediment stations in Mortandad Canyon from 1980 to 1995. The first two stations shown on this plot are MCO-5 and MCO-7, located downstream of the TA-50 discharge point, and upstream of the sediment traps. MCO-9 and MCO-13 are between the sediment traps and the Pueblo of San Ildefonso boundary. The data indicate that total plutonium concentrations decreased over this period at stations MCO-5 and MCO-7. Values of plutonium at MCO-5 and MCO-7 are elevated due to Laboratory discharges at TA-50, while values from stations MCO-9 and MCO-13, located near the Laboratory-Pueblo of San Ildefonso boundary, are at atmospheric fallout levels. Apparently there has been no transport of plutonium from TA-50 below the sediment traps in Mortandad Canyon.

### C. Drinking Water Program

#### 1. Monitoring Network

The Laboratory routinely collects drinking water samples from the Laboratory, Los Alamos County, and Bandelier National Monument's water distribution systems and from the Laboratory's water supply well heads in order to demonstrate compliance with the SDWA's MCLs for microbiological organisms, organic and inorganic constituents, and radioactivity in drinking water. The particular locations within the water system where SDWA compliance samples are collected is specified in the regulations for each contaminant or group of contaminants. In 1995, the monitoring network for SDWA compliance sampling consisted of four location groups within the water system:

- (1) well head sampling from the four operating water supply wells in the Guaje Well Field (G-1, G-1A, G-2, G-6) and the four operating water supply wells in the Pajarito Well Field operating at the time of sampling (PM-1, PM-2, PM-3, PM-5);
- (2) the four entry points into the distribution system (Pajarito Booster Station #2, Guaje Booster Station #2, PM-1 and PM-3 well heads);
- (3) the six total trihalomethane (TTHM) sampling locations within the distribution system (see Table 5-25); and
- (4) the 41 microbiological sampling sites located throughout the Laboratory, Los Alamos County, and Bandelier National Monument.

#### 2. Sampling Procedures, Data Management, and Quality Assurance

The sampling program for drinking water quality is designed to meet or exceed regulatory requirements under the federal SDWA and the NM Environmental Improvement Act. Sampling locations, frequencies, preservation, handling, and analyses follow the requirements specified in federal and state regulations. Chemical and radiological sampling is performed by LANL staff and submitted for analysis to laboratories certified by the EPA and the NMED. Microbiological sampling and analysis are performed by the Johnson Controls, Inc., Environmental (JENV) laboratory. The JENV laboratory is certified by the NMED for microbiological compliance analysis. Certification requirements include proficiency samples, maintenance of an approved QA/quality control program, and periodic audits by the NMED. LANL and JENV staff are certified by the NMED to perform drinking water compliance sampling.

All data collected from SDWA compliance testing is submitted to the Drinking Water Bureau of the NMED for review and filing. The NM Health Department's Scientific Laboratory Division (SLD) laboratory reports the analytical results directly to NMED. Triangle Laboratories reports the analytical results to ESH-18 who, in turn, transmits to NMED. The JENV laboratory reports the analytical results directly to NMED. ESH-18 maintains both electronic and hard-copy files of all data collected from SDWA compliance testing at their TA-59 offices and reports the complete data record annually in the Laboratory's Environmental Surveillance Report.

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### 3. Radiochemical Analytical Results

As required by the SDWA, in 1995 the Laboratory collected drinking water samples at the four entry points into the distribution system to determine the radiological quality of the drinking water. As is shown in Table 5-26, the concentrations of gross alpha activity were less than the screening level of 5 pCi/L, and the concentrations of gross beta activity were less than the screening limit of 50 pCi/L. When gross alpha and beta activity measurements are below the screening limits, the Laboratory does not need to perform further isotopic analyses or perform dose calculations under the SDWA program. However, it should be noted that comprehensive monitoring of the water supply wells for radiochemical constituents is conducted by ESH-18 annually (see Table 5-16).

Radon is a naturally occurring radionuclide produced during the decay of geological sources of uranium. In 1995, radon sampling was performed at the eight operating water supply well heads and the four entry points into the distribution system. This sampling was done to collect information before the issuance of final EPA regulations governing radon in drinking water. As shown in Table 5-27, the radon concentrations ranged from 227 to 629 pCi/L. If the MCL is finalized at the proposed 300 pCi/L level, waters from some well fields may need radon treatment by extended storage to allow radioactive decay or adsorption removal. Radon has a half-life of about 12 days; residence time in storage tanks will reduce radon concentrations before the water reaches consumers.

### 4. Dose Equivalents to Individuals from Ingestion of Drinking Water

The maximum annual committed effective dose equivalent (CEDE) (i.e., the total CEDE plus two sigma for the maximum consumption rate) for drinking water samples collected in 1995 is 0.579 mrem (14.5% of the 4 mrem drinking water standard). The maximum annual CEDE for the average consumption rate decreases to 0.411 mrem (10.3% of the 4 mrem drinking water standard). The radionuclides that contributed to more than 5% of the total CEDE in 1995 are strontium-90; uranium; plutonium-239,240; and americium-241. These CEDEs equate to a risk of excess cancer fatalities of  $2.9 \times 10^{-7}$  (0.3 in a million) and  $2.1 \times 10^{-7}$  (0.2 in a million), respectively. Since drinking water aquifers are regional, there is no "background" drinking water source available to determine the total net positive difference between Los Alamos water and a background source.

Table 5-28 presents the summary of the CEDE from the ingestion of drinking water collected in 1995. This is the first year a CEDE has been calculated for drinking water so there are no previous results for comparison.

Table 5-29 presents the total CEDE, also described as the whole body effective dose equivalent, from the ingestion of drinking water collected in 1995. The general methodology used to calculate these dose equivalents is found in Section 3.B.1.d. Since the Federal Guidance Report (FGR) #11 is "intended for general use in assessing average individual committed doses in any population..." (EPA 1988), the dose conversion factors (DCFs) listed in this report are used in assessing drinking water from non-DOE sources, whereas DOE DCFs (DOE 1988b) are used for assessing drinking water from DOE sources (i.e., the Los Alamos and White Rock distribution system). The DOE DCFs utilize 12 major tissue groups (as opposed to only seven major tissue groups in FGR #11) and are slightly more conservative than FGR #11.

Table 5-30 presents the maximum annual CEDE (i.e., the total CEDE plus two sigma for the maximum consumption rate) and the estimated risk of excess cancer fatalities from consuming drinking water collected in 1995. Included in this table, in the bottom row, is a summary of the CEDE based on the analytical detection limits for each radionuclide. This value is the lower limit possible for calculated doses, reflecting the minimum resolution of the radiochemical analyses and is not representative of a positive dose value.

**Los Alamos and White Rock.** The total annual CEDEs (i.e., the annual CEDE, without any error term, summed over all radionuclides) for all drinking water samples collected from Los Alamos and White Rock water distribution wells are below 4 mrem. No samples collected exceeded the radioactive MCLs for drinking water systems (EPA 1989). The maximum annual CEDE (i.e., the total CEDE plus two sigma for the maximum consumption rate) for drinking water samples collected in 1995 is 0.555 mrem as modified by the percent contribution to the distribution system for each monitored well. The maximum annual CEDE for the average consumption rate decreases to 0.411 mrem. The radionuclides that contributed to more than 5% of the total CEDE in 1995 are strontium-90; uranium; plutonium-239,240; and americium-241.

**The Pueblo of San Ildefonso.** The total annual CEDEs for all drinking water samples collected from the Pueblo of San Ildefonso are below 4 mrem. A sample collected from the Westside Artesian well exceeded the MCL for strontium-90 and total uranium, and a sample collected from the New Community well exceeded the MCL for total uranium (EPA 1989). These uranium levels are common in the Pojoaque area and similar levels

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have been previously observed in some Pueblo of San Ildefonso wells. The Laboratory and the Pueblo will resample to verify the strontium-90 result. The total annual CEDE using the maximum consumption rate (2.0 L/day) is 3.86 mrem for the Westside Artesian well and 3.74 mrem for the New Community well. For all samples collected at the Pueblo, the uranium contribution to the total CEDE ranged from 46.9% from the Otowi House sample to 80.6% from the New Community well sample. The maximum annual CEDE (i.e., the total CEDE plus two sigma for the maximum consumption rate) for all the drinking water samples collected in 1995 ranged from 1.34 mrem from the Otowi House sample to 5.38 mrem from the New Community well sample. The total committed dose equivalent to individual tissue groups ranged from 0.008 mrem in the Otowi House sample to 56.2 mrem in the New Community well sample. For the average consumption rate, the maximum annual CEDEs ranged from 0.99 mrem to 3.98 mrem for these same locations.

**Santa Clara Pueblo.** The total annual CEDEs for all drinking water samples collected from Santa Clara Pueblo are below 4 mrem. No samples collected exceeded the radioactive MCLs for drinking water systems (EPA 1989). The highest total CEDE using the maximum consumption rate (2.1 L/day) is 1.65 mrem from the Community Above Village well sample. For all samples collected at the Pueblo, the uranium contribution to the total CEDE ranged from 3.1% from the Community New Subdivision sample to 73.4% from the Community Above Village sample. The maximum annual CEDE (i.e., the total CEDE plus two sigma for the maximum consumption rate) for all the drinking water samples collected in 1995 ranged from 0.68 mrem from the Community New Subdivision sample to 2.07 mrem from the Community Above Village sample. For the average consumption rate, the range extends from 0.50 mrem to 1.53 mrem for these same locations.

**Cochiti Pueblo.** The total annual CEDEs from all drinking water samples collected from Cochiti Pueblo are well below 4 mrem. No samples collected exceeded the radioactive MCLs for drinking water systems (EPA 1989). The highest total CEDE using the maximum consumption rate (2.0 L/day) is 0.98 mrem from the Tetilla Peak sample. The contribution of uranium to the total CEDE ranged from 6.5% from the Cochiti Lake 1 sample to 49.6% from the Tetilla Peak sample. The maximum annual CEDE (i.e., the total CEDE plus two sigma for the maximum consumption rate) for all the drinking water samples collected in 1995 ranged from 0.69 mrem from the Cochiti Lake 1 sample to 1.55 mrem from the Tetilla Peak sample. For the average consumption rate, the range extends from 0.54 mrem to 1.14 mrem for these same locations.

**Jemez Pueblo.** The total annual CEDE from consuming drinking water collected from Jemez Pueblo is 0.14 mrem. Uranium contributed less than 5% to the total CEDE in the sample. The maximum annual CEDE (i.e., the total CEDE plus two sigma for the maximum consumption rate) for the drinking water sample collected in 1995 is 0.54 mrem. The maximum annual CEDE for the average consumption rate decreases to 0.40 mrem.

### 5. Nonradiochemical Analytical Results

In 1995, the analytical results for TTHMs (Table 5-25), inorganic constituents (Table 5-31), lead and copper (Table 5-32), VOCs (Table 5-33), and synthetic organic compounds (SOCs) (Table 5-34) in drinking water were all below the SDWA MCLs.

In 1995, inorganic constituents in drinking water were sampled at the four entry points to the distribution system with the exception of nitrates ( $\text{NO}_3\text{-N}$  [nitrate as nitrogen]) which were sampled at the eight operating water supply well heads. All inorganic constituents were analyzed by SLD. Both well head and entry point taps are flushed for several minutes so that the samples collected represent water that is freshly drawn from the water main. As shown in Table 5-31, all locations and all constituents were below the MCLs.

In 1995, TTHM samples were collected during each quarter from six locations in the Laboratory and Los Alamos County water distribution systems. All TTHM samples were analyzed by SLD. Sample taps are flushed for several minutes so that samples represent water that is freshly drawn from the water main. As is shown in Table 5-25, the annual average for TTHM samples in 1995 was 3.84  $\mu\text{g/L}$ , well below the SDWA MCL of 100  $\mu\text{g/L}$ .

In accordance with the requirements of the SDWA, the sampling program for lead and copper at residential taps that was initiated in 1992, continued in 1995. There is currently no set MCL for lead or copper in drinking water. Instead an action level has been set for each metal. SDWA regulations specify that if more than 10% of the samples from selected residential sites exceed the action level then water suppliers must take prescribed actions to monitor and control the corrosivity of the water supplied to the customers. Additionally, if 90% of the sample sites are below the action levels for lead and copper then the water system is in compliance without the need to implement corrosion control. As is shown in Table 5-32, all 36 samples collected during 1995 were below the EPA action

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levels for lead and copper. Since the 90th percentile values for lead and copper were below the EPA action levels, the Laboratory was in compliance with the SDWA regulations for lead and copper in drinking water for 1995.

In 1995, VOC samples were collected from each of the eight operating water supply well heads and analyzed by SLD. As shown in Table 5-33, during the initial sampling phase (February 27, 1995) the presence of a regulated VOC, methylene chloride, was detected in four of the samples (PM-3, G-1A, G-1, and G-2) at concentrations below the SDWA MCL. Confirmation samples collected at PM-3, G-1A, G-1, and G-2 on March 21, 1995, were negative for methylene chloride. Analysts from the SLD laboratory have reported to LANL's ESH-18 that the presence of methylene chloride in the initial samples was most probably due to sample contamination at their laboratory since methylene chloride is routinely used during the preparation of VOC samples.

In the first and second quarters of 1995, SOC samples were collected at the eight operating water supply well heads and analyzed by SLD and Triangle laboratories. Table 5-34 presents the analytical results for SOC sampling in 1995. SOC concentrations at each of the eight well heads sampled were below the laboratory's practical quantitation limit (PQL) and the SDWA MCLs. Dioxin samples were collected only during the first quarter of 1995 because the water system qualified for a waiver from second quarter sampling from the District II Office of the NMED. Sampling for SOC's will resume during the first quarter of 1997.

**Microbiological Analyses of Drinking Water.** Each month during 1995, an average of 46 samples was collected from the Laboratory, Los Alamos County, and Bandelier National Monument water distribution systems to determine the free chlorine residual available for disinfection and the microbiological quality of the drinking water. Of the 555 samples analyzed during 1995, 2 indicated the presence of total coliforms, and 1 indicated the presence of fecal coliforms. Noncoliform bacteria were present in 14 of the microbiological samples. A summary of the monthly analytical data is found in Table 5-35. Noncoliform bacteria are not regulated, but their presence in repeated samples may serve as indicators of biofilm growth in water pipes. Microbiological samples are collected and analyzed for microbiological quality by the JENV laboratory.

### 6. Long-Term Trends

Historically, the Los Alamos water system has never incurred a violation for a SDWA regulated chemical or radiological contaminant. The water supply wells have, on occasion, exceeded proposed SDWA MCLs for arsenic and radon due to their natural occurrence in the main aquifer. Violations of the SDWA MCL for microbiological contamination occurred in 1993 and 1994. Both of these violations were attributed to localized contamination in the distribution system and not microbiological contamination of the main aquifer.

### D. Unplanned Releases

#### 1. Radiochemical Liquid Materials

There were three unplanned potentially radioactive liquid releases reported during 1995.

- On October 6, 1995, at TA-53, approximately 0.237 L (0.0625 gal.) of potentially contaminated water was spilled on the ground during routine sampling of a radioactive liquid waste (RLW) holding tank. The spilled water was cleaned up immediately and monitoring of the area after clean up indicated no presence of radioactivity.
- On December 1, 1995, at TA-10 in Bayo Canyon, approximately 75.7 L (20 gal.) of decontamination water used for washing drill rigs was discovered to have leaked from a storage drum. The leaking was stopped and swipe samples and readings taken to test for the presence of radiological materials showed no presence of radioactivity.
- On December 5, 1995, at TA-21, a brick-lined industrial/radioactive waste manhole was discovered. All sources which discharge to the manhole have been eliminated.

#### 2. Nonradiochemical Liquid Materials

The following is a summary of these 29 unplanned releases during 1995:

- twelve releases of untreated sanitary sewage (all but one were less than 1,135.5 L (300.0 gal.) from the Laboratory's sanitary wastewater treatment plant collection systems;

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- four releases of oil: <3.8 L (<1.0 gal.) at TA-21-149 outfall 04A-142 on February 27, 1995; 17.4 L (4.6 gal.) at TA-22-91 outfall 128-128 on May 12, 1995; 7.6 L (2.0 gal.) at TA-54-MDA-J on June 14, 1995; and 3.8 L (1.0 gal.) at TA-35-31 on July 18, 1995;
- two releases of boiler water: 1892.5 L (500.0 gal.) at TA-2-1 on April 10, 1995; and <3785.0 L (<1000.0 gal.) at TA-53-28 on April 24, 1995;
- one release of propane: 427.0 N (96.0 lb.) at TA-15-183 on December 12, 1995;
- two releases of treated cooling water: < 3785.0 L (<1000.0 gal.) at TA-53-294 cooling tower on April 27, 1995; and 113,550.0 L (30,000.0 gal.) at TA-53-62 cooling tower on December 8, 1995;
- one release of acid water mixture: 189.25 L (50.0 gal.) 1 part sulfuric acid to 32.3 parts water mixture at TA-46-25 on December 11, 1995;
- one release of diesel: 83.3 L (22.0 gal.) at TA-16-218 on September 21, 1995;
- three potable water releases from line breaks in excess of 378,500.0 L (100,000.0 gal.): 492,050.0 L (130,000.0 gal.) at TA-21-4 on July 17, 1995; 1,324,750.0 L (350,000.0 gal.) at TA-54-Area G on July 28, 1995; and 946,250.0 L (250,000.0 gal.) at TA-54-Area G on August 2, 1995;
- one release of battery acid: 37.9 L (10.0 gal.) at TA-35-128 on November 22, 1995;
- two historical releases: unknown amount of PCB from SWMU 3-056 at TA-3-223 reported on May 9, 1995; and unknown amount of suspected diesel at TA-61-16 reported on June 15, 1995.

All spills were investigated by ESH-18. Upon cleanup, personnel from NMED/DOE Oversight Bureau inspected the spill sites to ensure adequate cleanup. NMED administratively closed 18 of the 29 spills which occurred in 1995.

ESH-18 prepared a generalized Notice of Intent (NOI) for the discharge of potable water from the Los Alamos water supply system, including production wells, transmission lines, storage tanks, booster pump stations, and other related facilities. The generalized NOI provides the Laboratory with regulatory coverage for releases of potable water from the water supply system that are not considered hazardous to public health and are not covered by the NPDES permit. ESH-18 also prepared a generalized NOI for the release of steam condensate and line disinfection from the Laboratory's steam distribution and condensate return systems. ESH-18 provides an annual summary of discharges to the NMED Surface Water Quality Bureau.

### E. Special Studies

#### 1. Special Sampling of Alluvial Groundwaters

The Laboratory's Hazardous Waste Permit (issued under the 1984 Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments [HSWA] to the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act [RCRA]) contains several special conditions in Module VIII, Section C. The first condition required the installation of several additional monitoring wells in the principal canyons on the Laboratory property and chemical analyses of the waters. The new HSWA monitoring wells were constructed according to EPA's RCRA standards. This work was completed in 1990 (Purtymun 1990a, Stoker 1990b, EPG 1992).

The 1990 chemical analyses compared results from the new wells with adjacent older wells used in routine surveillance. For the most part, analytical results for the paired wells were similar. An exception was that lower levels of plutonium were found in the new wells in Mortandad Canyon. This was attributed to higher plutonium adsorption in the vicinity of the newer wells as a result of new sediment surfaces made available for adsorption through disturbance during well installation.

The EPA completed a Comprehensive Groundwater Monitoring Evaluation Report for the Laboratory in March 1993 which contained several recommendations. One of these was that additional sampling of the 1990 HSWA permit wells should be conducted. The EPA maintained that preliminary results from the 1990 sampling indicated



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that concentrations of some constituents were higher in the new HSWA wells than the older wells in Los Alamos Canyon.

In response to this request, the Laboratory sampled these wells on a quarterly basis during 1995. Only the first two quarters (sampling done on March 29 and June 23, 1995) of data are available at the time of this report preparation. A complete presentation of the 1995 and 1990 data will be presented in a forthcoming report.

Results for three canyons (Acid/Pueblo, Los Alamos, and Mortandad) are represented in the 1995 sampling series. The wells drilled in other canyons as a result of the HSWA permit Module VIII special conditions have remained dry. The sampling results are presented in Tables 5-36 through 5-38. Groundwater samples drawn from the canyon bottom alluvium can be quite turbid, containing a significant quantity of suspended sediment which has entered the well casings. Both filtered and unfiltered samples were collected at each of the stations, in order to evaluate the quantity of metals and radionuclides associated with the suspended sediment portion of the water samples. Due to a miscommunication, however, all samples for radiochemical analysis were filtered in the laboratory.

Several preliminary observations can be made regarding the radiochemical results (Table 5-36). Strontium-90 is clearly detected in all three of the canyons. In Los Alamos and Mortandad Canyons strontium-90 concentrations are largest at the upstream stations and decrease downstream. Americium-241 and plutonium-239,240 were detected in Acid/Pueblo Canyon. Americium-241, plutonium-238, and possibly cesium-137 were found in Los Alamos Canyon. Tritium; strontium-90; plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; and americium-241 are present in Mortandad Canyon. The levels of uranium in Mortandad Canyon are generally about 2 µg/L, compared to about 0.5 µg/L in Acid/Pueblo Canyon and 0.1 to 0.4 µg/L in Los Alamos Canyon.

An important observation that comes from these data is that there is significant variability in radionuclide concentrations at the same station at different times. Strontium-90 concentrations at LAO-3 and nearby LAO-3A decreased by a factor of two between March 29 and June 23, 1995. A similar conclusion applies to APCO-1.

There also appears to be variability in concentrations between some adjacent wells. The strontium-90 concentrations at LAO-3A are consistently higher than at nearby LAO-3. Americium-241 was apparently detected in LAO-3A but not in LAO-3. Tritium concentrations are higher at MCO-6 than at MCO-6B, while strontium-90 concentrations are lower. Comparisons at other paired wells show that concentrations of particular radionuclides at the two wells are similar. The differences in concentrations between adjacent wells may indicate that concentrations vary as much in space as in time in a given part of the canyon alluvium.

The general chemistry (Table 5-37) results from the sampling show trends similar to those discussed for radionuclides. Concentrations of several constituents show significant variability between sampling periods. One observation needs to be qualified: the high chromium values discovered in the results for wells APCO-1 and LAO-3 in the March 29 sampling appear to be due to a sample bottle switch (see Section 5.B.1).

Organic results from the special alluvial sampling (Tables 5-39 and 5-40) show four possible detections. Two of these are discounted as the compounds were also detected in the laboratory method blanks and are probably the result of contamination during analysis. Acetone (a common laboratory chemical and probably the result of contamination during analysis) and chloromethane were detected in samples from wells MCO-7A and MT-4.

### 2. Special Sampling of Test Wells 3, 4, and 8.

The 1994 surveillance sampling of three test wells, TW-3, TW-4 and TW-8, showed unexpected levels of strontium-90 (EG 1996). For TW-4 ( $6.2 \pm 3.4$  pCi/L) and TW-8 ( $2.1 \pm 0.7$  pCi/L), the values were near 0, within 2 to 3 times the analytical uncertainty and are regarded as nondetections. (See Section 5.B.1 for a discussion of evaluation of radiochemical results near the detection limit). However, an analysis of a split sample from TW-4 by the NMED/DOE Oversight Bureau staff showed a strontium-90 level of  $6.6 \pm 2.0$  pCi/L, supporting a detection in that well.

The value of strontium-90 found in TW-3 ( $35.1 \pm 2.2$  pCi/L) was well above the limits of analytical uncertainty and also above the EPA proposed primary drinking water standard MCL of 8 pCi/L. However, this strontium-90 value was questionable because of the very low gross beta measurements for the sample, of  $2.2 \pm 0.4$  pCi/L. Strontium-90 is a beta emitter, and the values for strontium-90 and gross beta should be about the same. Chloride and tritium were not found in the TW-3 sample. These substances should also be present, as they are also found in the alluvial groundwater (the likely source of the strontium-90) and are transported more readily than strontium-90.

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Nonetheless, the apparent detection of strontium-90 in TW-3 is plausible, as high levels of strontium-90 are present in the overlying Los Alamos Canyon alluvial groundwater.

In most uncontaminated regional aquifer waters in the Los Alamos area, chloride and nitrate occur at levels of about 1 to 3 mg/L for chloride and less than 1 mg/L  $\text{NO}_3\text{-N}$  (nitrate as nitrogen). These ions are useful indicators of contamination because their transport is generally conservative (concentrations are unaffected by adsorption or other chemical reactions and reflect the general movement of water) and because their presence at levels above background is usually from man-made sources.

In 1994 TW-8 in Mortandad Canyon also showed a large increase in nitrate, from values of about 0.2 mg/L in prior years, to 5.1 mg/L. Nitrate is a common contaminant found in Mortandad Canyon alluvial groundwater, as a result of effluent disposal from the TA-50 Radioactive Liquid Waste Treatment Plant. Trace levels of tritium found earlier in TW-8 in Mortandad Canyon indicate the presence of recent recharge at that location. Therefore, the presence of elevated nitrate levels is not surprising, but tends to confirm the initial interpretation of the trace level tritium discoveries in this well.

In response to these 1994 findings, ESH-18 conducted a time series sampling study on test wells TW-3, TW-4, and TW-8 in July 1995. The normal sampling procedure for wells is to collect a water sample after pumping at least three well bore volumes, in order to ensure that stagnant water in the well casing and the surrounding aquifer formation has been removed and that the sample represents water from the formation surrounding the well screen. The July 1995 water samples were collected at nearly every well bore volume for 10 to 15 bore volumes and analyzed for strontium-90, tritium (using low-detection limit techniques at the University of Miami), chloride, and nitrate. The results of this study are given in Table 5-41, and shown in Figures 5-10 through 5-12.

The volumes for each well were determined from the depth of water in the bottom of the casing and the casing diameter. These volumes are, in gal. per well bore: 206.5 gal. for TW-3, 78 gal. for TW-4, and 220 gal. for TW-8.

In addition to the July 1995 time series tests, quarterly sampling of TW-TW-3, TW-4, and TW-8 is being carried out in 1996. These samples are being analyzed for trace-level amounts of tritium, general inorganic chemistry, and radionuclides.

The intent of the July 1995 tests was to see whether there were changes in the concentration of any of the constituents with volume pumped. Unfortunately, such results are not definitive regarding the source of any contamination found. In the case of a steady concentration over the series, aquifer contamination is indicated or ruled out depending on the concentration. A declining concentration with time might suggest limited aquifer contamination due to either flow of some contaminants down the well bore or limited contamination present in only the upper portion of the aquifer.

Results of the 1995 sampling indicate no trace of strontium in any of these test wells (Figure 5-10). The detection limit for strontium-90 is about 3 pCi/L. All of the strontium-90 values were near 0, within 2 to 3 times the analytical uncertainty and are regarded as nondetections. (See Section 5.B.1 for a discussion of evaluation of radiochemical results near the detection limit).

The results for tritium (Figure 5-11) suggest that it is present in the aquifer at TW-3 and 8, but not at TW-4. Tritium has previously been observed in TW-8 in a 1993 sample at 89 pCi/L. The presence of tritium and gradual drop off in concentration after prolonged pumping of this well suggests that recharge to the main aquifer of some water from the overlying alluvium has occurred. An alternative hypothesis of leakage of water down the well bore cannot be ruled out but seems unlikely because of the high volume of contaminated water which would be required to produce the tritium concentrations observed while sampling TW-8.

The presence of tritium in TW-3 is a new discovery, as tritium was not noted in this well during sampling in 1993. Possible sources of the tritium are infiltration or vapor movement from the overlying alluvium or leakage along the well casing. The sharp drop off in concentration after a few well bores could indicate that tritium contamination in the aquifer is not pervasive here. Results of the 1996 quarterly sampling may clarify this matter.

The time-series tritium results for TW-4 show that tritium is not present in the aquifer at this location. TW-4 was not sampled from 1962 to 1992, as it had no pump. A sample collected from this well in 1993 showed 11 pCi/L of tritium, but contaminated water introduced during pump priming was suspected as the source of tritium. Other chemical irregularities noted in samples from TW-4 including the 1994 detection of strontium-90 may also be related to the contaminated water. The fact that the depth of water in the well was only 10 ft prevented adequate purging of the well during collection of the 1993 and 1994 samples.

Time-series plots for chloride and nitrate (Figure 5-12) show that for all three test wells, chloride is fairly constant during the sampling. If water were leaking down the borehole from above and carrying higher amounts of

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chloride, the chloride concentration would be expected to drop off during pumping, as water with less chloride was drawn into the well from the surrounding aquifer. For all three of the test wells, the nitrate concentrations increase at about well bore 5, at which point it stabilizes. This effect may be due to differences in the oxidation state of nitrogen, to biological depletion of nitrate, or to volatilization of nitrogen in water near the well bore compared to farther back in the formation.

Several other test well samples were analyzed for tritium by low-detection limit methods. Table 5-41 shows these results. Prior analytical results for tritium were published in EARE (1995). The 1995 results for TW-1, 1A, and 2A are in the ranges previously observed, although these values are all lower than earlier results. TW-2 had a 1995 value of about 16.8 pCi/L compared to values of 0.71 and 2.8 pCi/L in 1992 and 1993.

Before atmospheric testing of nuclear weapons began, tritium levels in precipitation were about 20 pCi/L (Adams 1995). This is 5 to 10 times the tritium levels detected in the Los Alamos public water supply wells. By the mid-1960s, tritium in atmospheric water in northern New Mexico reached a peak level of about 6,500 pCi/L. At present, general atmospheric levels in northern New Mexico are about 30 pCi/L, and those in the Los Alamos vicinity range from 20 to 450 pCi/L (Adams 1995). Groundwaters that contain between 16 and 65 pCi/L of tritium are most likely the result of recent recharge, that is within the last four decades (Blake 1995). Waters with tritium concentrations below about 1.6 pCi/L are likely to be old: the ages of these waters are more than 3,000 years, but there may be large errors associated with small tritium concentrations. With a tritium concentration below 0.5 pCi/L, modeled ages are more than 10,000 years, but this is at the limit of tritium age determinations. Waters with tritium concentrations more than 1,000 pCi/L and collected after 1990 cannot have their ages modeled, and can only be the result of contamination (Blake 1995).

Thus, the tritium levels in TW-1, 1A, and 2A are the result of infiltration of recent precipitation, with a possible contribution of a component of radioactive industrial effluent. This latter conclusion is supported by high levels of chloride and nitrate, supporting an anthropogenic source for part of this water (Blake 1995). For TW-2, the tritium levels are also the result of infiltration, perhaps of recent precipitation.

Test wells DT-9 and DT-10 also both showed higher tritium values in 1995 than in prior years. The 1993 values for Test wells DT-9 and DT-10 were 0.45 and 1.3 pCi/L, compared to 1995 values of 1.5 and 3.2 pCi/L. These tritium values fall into a possible age range between 40 and 3,000 years.

### 3. Environmental Surveillance at Accord Pueblos

During 1995, cooperative efforts between the Laboratory and the Pueblos of San Ildefonso, Santa Clara, Cochiti, and Jemez and the Pueblo Office of Environmental Protection resulted in sampling of water for tritium in the four Indian Pueblo communities. The locations of the four Accord Pueblos are shown in Figure 5-13. A Laboratory/Tribal-developed sampling plan was the basis for testing of community and private wells, streams, and springs on pueblo lands. General chemical and organic analysis results for pueblo waters are discussed for each pueblo below, as well as results for sediments collected at the Pueblo of San Ildefonso. These results are presented in Tables 5-42 through 5-48. Following these discussions, the results of low-detection limit tritium analyses for the pueblos are discussed as a group.

**a. Pueblo of San Ildefonso.** To document the potential impact of Laboratory operations on lands belonging to Pueblo of San Ildefonso, DOE entered into a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Pueblo and the BIA to conduct environmental sampling on pueblo land. The agreement, entitled "Memorandum of Understanding Among the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Department of Energy, and the Pueblo of San Ildefonso Regarding Testing for Radioactive and Chemical Contamination of Lands and Natural Resources Belonging to the Pueblo of San Ildefonso," No. DE-GM32-87AL37160, was concluded in June 1987. The MOU calls for hydrologic pathway sampling (including water and sediments), and air, soils, and foodstuff sampling. This section deals with the hydrologic pathway. From 1987 to 1994, water, soil, and sediment samples were collected in accord with the MOU, and the results were reported in Purtymun (1988) and the annual environmental surveillance reports, the latest of which is EG (1996).

The groundwater, surface water, and sediment stations sampled on the Pueblo of San Ildefonso are shown in Figures 5-14 and 5-15. Aside from stations listed in the accompanying tables, the MOU also specifies collection and analysis of additional water and sediment samples from sites that have long been included in the routine environmental sampling program, as well as special sampling of storm runoff in Los Alamos Canyon. These

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locations are shown in Figures 5-16 and 5-17 and results of analysis were discussed in Sections 5.B.2., 5.B.3, and 5.B.4.

**Groundwater.** Radiochemical analyses of the 1995 groundwater samples are shown in Table 5-42. As in previous years, the data indicate the widespread presence of naturally occurring uranium at levels approaching or in excess of proposed EPA drinking water limits. Naturally occurring uranium concentrations approaching or many times above the proposed MCL are prevalent in well water throughout the Pojoaque area. The data also suggest the occasional detection of trace levels of plutonium and americium. (See Section 5.B.1 for a discussion of evaluation of radiochemical results near the detection limit). In 1992 (EPG 1994), analyses of several of the samples for plutonium and americium indicated that they contained levels exceeding the average detection limits of the analytical method. Those for Pajarito Pump 1, Pajarito Pump 2, Otowi House, Sanchez House, and Martinez House were as much as 2 to 3 times the detection limit, and those for the New Community well and the Halladay House were up to 15 times the detection limit. The sampling or the analytical method were suspected of inaccuracies for two principal reasons: (1) none of the previously sampled locations had shown the presence of these isotopes, (2) results of BIA duplicate samples for 1992 by an independent laboratory did not confirm the results. The 1994 data appear to confirm the 1992 result that samples for the Martinez House, Otowi House, and Pajarito Pump 1 Wells contained levels of plutonium exceeding the average detection limits.

For 1995, detection limits of 0.04 pCi/L for plutonium-238 were exceeded in LA-1B, New Community, and Sanchez House wells; and of 0.04 pCi/L for americium-241 in LA-1A, Pajarito Pump 2, Martinez House, Otowi House, and New Community Wells. Two considerations suggest that these observations are not a cause for concern, however. First, the americium-241 value in the trip blank also exceeded the detection limit, and second, the plutonium-238 and americium-241 values for the New Community well sample and a duplicate sample differed widely. These two observations call into question the precision of the laboratory analyses at these extremely low detection levels.

Large tritium levels were apparently detected in New Community and Sanchez House Wells and in Sacred Spring. These three results are contradicted by analyses of duplicate samples by low-detection limit methods at the University of Miami, as discussed in Section 5.E.3.e. These observations call into question the precision of the EPA-specified liquid scintillation counting analyses at these low tritium levels (see Section 5.B.1).

The Westside Artesian well had a strontium-90 value of 8.4 pCi/L. This value exceeded the EPA MCL of 8 pCi/L. This analysis should be viewed with caution: first, because of the possibility of analytical error, in light of the relatively high detection limit for strontium-90; and second, because strontium-90 has not been previously found in any of these wells.

The Westside Artesian and New Community Wells had uranium concentrations near or exceeding the proposed EPA primary drinking water standard of 20 µg/L. Uranium concentrations at the Pajarito Pump 1 and Sanchez House Wells were about half of the proposed EPA standard. These measurements are consistent with the levels in previous samples and with relatively high levels of naturally occurring uranium in other wells and springs in the area.

The gross alpha level in samples from the Pajarito Pump 2, New Community, and Sanchez House Wells approached or exceeded the EPA primary drinking water standard of 15 pCi/L.

The levels of plutonium and americium in the BIA wellpoints are well below both the DOE DCGs for public dose and the DOE drinking water system DCG.

The chemical quality of the groundwater, shown in Table 5-43, is consistent with previous observations. The samples from the Westside Artesian, Pajarito Pump 1, Pajarito Pump 2, Sanchez House, Martinez House, Otowi House, and LA-1B Wells exceeded or were near the drinking water standard for total dissolved solids (TDS); these levels are similar to those previously measured. The TDS values for the BIA wellpoints reflect the high total suspended solids (TSS) of the samples. The TDS value reported for BIA wellpoint 1 of 8,637 mg/L is inconsistent with the electrical conductance value and is a laboratory error.

The fluoride values for these four wells (Westside Artesian, Pajarito Pump 2, Sanchez House, and LA-1B) are near or (for Westside Artesian and LA-1B) greatly exceed the NMWQCC groundwater standard of 1.6 mg/L, again similar to previous values. Several of the wells have alkaline pH values, above the EPA secondary standard range of 6.8–8.5; again, these values do not represent a change from those previously observed in the area. The Martinez House well had a nitrate value of 8.6 mg/L, approaching drinking water limits of 10 mg/L (nitrate as nitrogen), as observed in previous years. Unlike 1994, high nitrate values were not widespread.

Trace metal analyses are shown in Table 5-44. As was reported for 1993 and 1994 (EARE 1995, EG 1996), several wells and springs show high values for trace metals, exceeding values previously reported (EPG 1994). The

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higher values are due to a change in analytical procedure. Before late 1992, all samples were filtered in the laboratory prior to analysis, while subsequent samples are not filtered. In particular, aluminum, iron, and manganese values for some of the samples were high.

Well LA-1B and Pajarito Pump 1 had much lower arsenic values in 1995, compared to prior values of about 40 µg/L, just below the EPA drinking water standard of 50 µg/L. A similar value was reported for LA-1B in 1993 (EARE 1995).

Boron values in two wells, Westside Artesian and Pajarito Pump 1, exceeded the NMWQCC groundwater limit of 750 µg/L. These values are similar to those of past years. Cadmium, chromium, and cobalt in the Martinez House well and beryllium in the Otowi House well exceeded standards. Silver levels in all wells were below 0.5 µg/L probably reflecting a lower detection limit for the analysis, and in contrast to much higher levels for the Martinez House, Old Community, and Sanchez House Wells in 1994.

Levels for a number of trace metals were high in the BIA wellpoints. These values probably reflect the high TSS values for these two samples.

Samples from Pajarito Pumps 1 and 2, and the Martinez House, Sanchez House, and New Community Wells were analyzed for VOCs, SVOCs, and PCBs (Table 5-45). The only sample in which there was a trace detection was New Community well (Table 5-46). The compound detected is a phthalate, a constituent of plastics, and a common contaminant inadvertently introduced during laboratory analysis.

**Sediments.** Sediments from Mortandad Canyon were collected on May 31, 1995, from seven permanent sampling stations, as seen in Figure 5-17. The results of these and other sediment sample analyses for radiochemicals and trace metals are shown in Table 5-47 and Table 5-48. Related information is presented in Section 5.B.4. Results are comparable to sediment data collected from these same stations in previous years.

Data discussed in Section 5.B.4 suggest that radionuclide concentrations in sediments on Laboratory land just upstream of the Pueblo of San Ildefonso boundary are the result of worldwide fallout rather than of Laboratory operations. None of the Pueblo of San Ildefonso sediment stations in Mortandad Canyon showed levels of strontium-90, total uranium, americium-241, gross alpha, gross beta, or gross gamma that exceeded the background values attributed to fallout (or naturally occurring uranium) in northern New Mexico (Purtymun 1987a). The sample at Station A-6 (located on Pueblo of San Ildefonso land adjacent to the boundary with the Laboratory) showed a cesium-137 value slightly higher than background, and a level of plutonium-239,240 about 1.6 times the background value for fallout. The plutonium-238 value for Station A-6 was only slightly higher than the background value. In sediment samples dominated by worldwide fallout at low concentration levels, considerable variability is expected (Purtymun 1990b).

Sediment sampling stations located on Pueblo of San Ildefonso lands in Los Alamos Canyon showed levels of cesium-137; plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; and americium-241 above background. All of these levels are consistent with previous samples collected from these same stations (see Section 5.E.4).

Analytical results from the sediment sampling locations in Guaje, Bayo, and Sandia Canyons are all within the range of values expected from worldwide fallout. These findings are consistent with current and previous measurements of sediments from these canyons where they exit the Laboratory at State Road 502. Sediment samples collected from the Pueblo of San Ildefonso in 1995 were also analyzed for trace metals, as reported in Table 5-48. These results, which are all within the general ranges found in geologic materials from Pajarito Plateau, suggest natural origins for all trace metals, including total uranium (reported in Table 5-47).

**b. Santa Clara Pueblo.** The stations sampled at Santa Clara Pueblo in 1995 are shown in Figure 5-16. A sediment sample collected at 4th Pond is discussed in Section 5.B.4. Results of radiochemical analyses of the 1995 water samples are given in Table 5-42. Americium-241 was near the detection limit in several of the samples. The most notable finding is that uranium is at about 10 µg/L, or half of the proposed MCL, in two water supply wells. Naturally occurring uranium concentrations approaching or many times above the proposed MCL are prevalent in well water throughout the Pojoaque area.

Data on the chemical quality of the groundwater are shown in Table 5-43. Two wells (Enos House and Community New Subdivision) have fluoride levels that are about half the NMWQCC groundwater limit of 1.6 mg/L. The Community New Subdivision Well also has high chloride and TDS values, relative to water quality standards. Several surface water samples had measurable TSS values, common in surface waters.

Trace metal analyses are shown in Table 5-44. The Enos House Well had an arsenic concentration above the EPA MCL and a vanadium value in the range of the EPA health advisory. The surface water samples with measurable TSS had values of aluminum, iron, and manganese comparable to the water quality standards, probably related to dissolution of the suspended particulates during sample analysis.

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Samples from Community New Subdivision and Community Above Village Wells were analyzed for VOCs and SVOCs and PCBs (Table 5-45), and none were detected.

**c. Cochiti Pueblo.** The stations sampled at Cochiti Pueblo in 1995 are shown in Figure 5-17. Results of radiochemical analyses of the 1995 water samples are given in Table 5-42. Sediment data are discussed in Section 5.B.4. Americium-241 was near the detection limit in several of the samples; however, the americium-241 value in the trip blank also exceeded the detection limit, discounting these observations. A small amount of uranium was found in Cochiti well 1, at a level only one-tenth of the EPA MCL.

Data regarding the chemical quality of the groundwater are shown in Table 5-43. The only chemical quality observation of note was the finding of a nitrate level of about 4 mg/L (nitrate as nitrogen) in Cochiti well 1, which is 40 percent of the EPA MCL.

Trace metal analyses are shown in Table 5-44. No trace metal detections of note occurred in these water samples. The apparently high silver level (40 µg/L, relative to the NMWQCC groundwater limit of 50 µg/L) reflects a detection limit and analytical uncertainty of 40 µg/L.

The sample from Cochiti well 1 was analyzed for VOCs, SVOCs, and PCBs (Table 5-45). The only compound detected was Di-n-butyl phthalate (Table 5-46). This compound was found in the method blank indicating the source was laboratory contamination. The compound detected is a phthalate, a common constituent of plastics.

**d. Jemez Pueblo.** The stations sampled at Jemez Pueblo in 1995 are shown in Figure 5-18. Results of radiochemical analyses of the 1995 water samples are given in Table 5-42. No radiochemical detections of note occurred in the North Tank water sample.

The chemical quality of the North Tank water sample is shown in Table 5-43. A fluoride value of 1.3 mg/L, compared to the NMWQCC groundwater limit of 1.6 mg/L, is the only notable observation.

Trace metal analyses are shown in Table 5-44. The boron level of 620 µg/L is nearly at the NMWQCC groundwater limit of 750 µg/L. Boron and fluoride are common constituents of water in volcanic areas (Hem 1989). The thermal waters discharging from the Valles Caldera have been shown to discharge through the Jemez River drainage, and other wells and springs in the area have far higher boron and fluoride levels (Goff 1988). The apparently high silver level (40 µg/L relative to the NMWQCC groundwater limit of 50 µg/L) reflects a detection limit and analytical uncertainty of 40 µg/L.

The North Tank water sample was analyzed for VOCs, SVOCs, and PCBs (Table 5-45). The only compound detected was chlorodibromomethane (Table 5-46). The significance of this finding is doubtful as the sample was collected from a chlorinated water system, and chloromethane compounds are commonly formed in such a case.

**e. Trace-Level Tritium Analyses of Pueblo Waters.** Fifty water samples were collected at the four Accord Pueblos and sent to the University of Miami Tritium Laboratory for analysis using their low-detection limit methodology. The accuracy of this analytical technique far exceeds that of the liquid scintillation method, which is the EPA-specified method for determining compliance with drinking water standards. The University of Miami Tritium Laboratory analyses are used by geochemists and hydrologists for the purposes of groundwater age dating and pathway determination. Table 5-49 gives the analytical results. Also included in the table are the liquid scintillation results for some of the samples. The very large difference between the liquid scintillation and University of Miami results suggests that the detection limit for the liquid scintillation method is at times much higher, perhaps 2,000 to 4,000 pCi/L, than the stated 400 pCi/L detection limit (see Section 5.B.1). Note that the EPA MCL for tritium (20,000 pCi/L) far exceeds any of the values discussed here.

The tritium results from pueblo waters fall into several groups. Santa Clara Pueblo surface waters (Santa Clara Creek) and the Rio Grande have values in the range of 28 to 42 pCi/L. At present, general atmospheric levels reflected in precipitation in northern New Mexico are about 30 pCi/L, and those in the Los Alamos vicinity range from 20 to 450 pCi/L (Adams 1995). Thus the surface water values are similar to those of regional precipitation. A number of well waters have tritium values in this range, suggesting that a significant component of their groundwater is of meteoric origin and has been recharged at least within the last four to five decades (Blake 1995, Shevenell 1995). Examples of such waters are Sanchez House, Basalt Spring, Otowi House, the BIA wellpoints, New Community, Tetilla Peak, and all of the Jemez Pueblo waters. It is possible, however, that Los Alamos Canyon waters (Basalt Spring, Otowi House, and the BIA wellpoints) have tritium levels which reflect a component of Laboratory-generated tritium.

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A second group of waters, mostly wells, have tritium values from as low as 0.4 pCi/L to about 9 pCi/L. Waters with tritium concentrations below about 1.6 pCi/L are likely to be old: the ages of these waters are more than 3,000 years, but there may be large errors associated with small tritium concentrations (Blake 1995, Shevenell 1995). This implies that these waters do not contain a significant component of recent recharge and are therefore probably isolated from surface contamination. Note, however, that the nitrate level for the Martinez House well does indicate that there is recent recharge of water to this well, possibly from a septic system or fertilizers. The tritium level for this well is about 7.8 pCi/L. This apparent conflict highlights the assumptions which must be made when inferring groundwater ages and the desirability of supporting the conclusions with additional information.

A final topic related to low-detection limit tritium analyses is a discussion of the results of blanks associated with this testing. The blank results are tabulated in Table 5-50. Three types of blanks were used for quality control with the University of Miami tritium analyses. Two of the blanks (A and B) were prepared by the Environmental Isotope Lab at the University of Waterloo, Ontario, Canada. Decay-corrected values for the blanks are given in Table 5-50. The University of Miami values for blanks A and B are well within the expected values  $\pm$  the uncertainty given by the University of Waterloo. The mean of the blank A values was 8.9 pCi/L, compared to an expected value of  $8.2 \pm 1.5$  pCi/L. The mean of the blank B values was 0.77 pCi/L, compared to an expected value of  $0.12 \pm 0.89$  pCi/L. PM-2 well water was used as a third blank. PM-2 water has consistently shown tritium concentrations near the University of Miami detection limit. Table 5-50 presents a summary of all prior analyses of PM-2 well water, which have a mean and standard deviation that are both about 0.5 pCi/L.

### 4. Sediment Studies in the Northern Rio Grande Drainage System

Recently two studies were completed that address plutonium deposition, sediment transport, and redistribution in Los Alamos Canyon and the Rio Grande below Otowi Bridge. The first study (Graf 1993, 1994) uses a historical perspective to evaluate the contributions of plutonium to the Rio Grande watershed, accounting for both worldwide fallout and input from Los Alamos Canyon. This study uses aerial photography and hydrologic data to evaluate movement and deposition of sediments. An important objective of this effort was to locate sediment deposits along the Rio Grande between Otowi Bridge and San Marcial that have the highest probability of containing plutonium. This objective was deemed important because sample analyses are costly, and plutonium concentration levels are typically at or below minimum detection levels.

Using aerial photographs, Graf (1993, 1994) identified locations where sediments had been deposited during specific periods. Subsequent aerial photographs identified deposits that had been preserved. A sample of sediment deposited sometime between 1941 and 1968 was collected from the Rio Grande floodplain near Buckman (just north of Cañada Ancha on Figure 5-8). This sample was subjected to a very sensitive analysis of plutonium isotopes. The ratio of plutonium-239 to plutonium-240 was consistent with approximately an equal contribution of plutonium from worldwide fallout and from the Acid/Pueblo-Los Alamos Canyon system. The total level of plutonium-239 and plutonium-240 in the sample (0.017 pCi/g) was near the statistically derived worldwide fallout level (0.023 pCi/g). Among the study's conclusions regarding a regional plutonium budget for the 1948 to 1985 period are the following:

- 1) The distribution of sediment and plutonium in the Rio Grande system is highly variable geographically, with plutonium detected in some locations but not in others.
- 2) Worldwide fallout accounts for more than 90% of plutonium in the Rio Grande system; slightly less than 10% originates from the Laboratory.
- 3) About half of the total plutonium (from both worldwide fallout and the Laboratory) is stored along the river, and the remainder has been carried to Elephant Butte Reservoir.
- 4) Most of the plutonium originating from the Laboratory is found along the river between Otowi and Peña Blanca (just downstream from Cochiti Dam); since 1973, the downstream transport of plutonium contributions from the Laboratory and from worldwide fallout have terminated in Cochiti Reservoir.

The second study (Graf 1995) explored the connection between plutonium disposal sites located in Acid/Pueblo and DP/Los Alamos Canyons and the Rio Grande. Fifteen years of empirical data from annual sediment sampling throughout this canyon system have produced 458 observations of plutonium concentrations in sediments. These data show that mean plutonium concentrations in fluvial sediments decline from about 10,000 fCi/g near the Acid/

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Pueblo sampling site, to less than 100 fCi/g at the confluence of Los Alamos Canyon and the Rio Grande. Temporal data from sites repeatedly sampled show the passage of waves of contaminated and uncontaminated sediments through this canyon system. Field mapping identified 108 deposits of potentially contaminated sediments, including active floodplains, bars, channel fills, and slack water deposits. Graf (1995) estimated that about 957 mCi of total plutonium is distributed in the Pueblo/Los Alamos Canyon system. This compares to earlier estimates (ESG 1981) of about 246 mCi using geometric mean concentrations from sampling data, or about  $631 \pm 298$  mCi using arithmetic means. This earlier study also estimated that approximately 177 mCi of total plutonium was originally discharged into Acid and DP Canyons between 1943 and 1964. These discrepancies in estimated total plutonium inventory result from differences in estimated total sediment volume present in the canyon system, high spatial and temporal variability in plutonium concentration values, and an insufficient number of samples to adequately characterize this variability.

According to Graf (1995), approximately 78% of the original plutonium inventory is still trapped in lower Pueblo Canyon, 18% in lower Los Alamos Canyon, and the remainder (4%) is in the upper reaches of the system. Computer simulations of water, sediment, and plutonium transport suggest that flood-related discharges up to the 25-yr runoff event fail to develop sufficient transport capacity to completely flush all plutonium contamination from the system. Lesser flows tend to move some contaminated materials toward the Rio Grande by remobilizing previously stored sediments.

### 5. Main Aquifer Hydrologic Properties Studies

**a. Water Production Records.** Monthly water production records are provided to the State Engineer's Office under State of New Mexico requirements specified in the water rights permit held by DOE for the Los Alamos municipal water supply system. During 1995, total water production from 12 wells in the Guaje and Pajarito municipal well fields, the Water Canyon Gallery, and Los Alamos Reservoir was 5.15 million m<sup>3</sup> (1,359 million gal., or 4,172 ac-ft). The two wells in the Otowi field were not pumped during 1995. This total production amounts to 75% of the total diversion right of 6.8 million m<sup>3</sup> (5,541 ac-ft) that is available to DOE under its permit. Details of the performance of the water supply wells (pumpage, water levels, drawdown, and specific yield) and their operation are published in a series of separate reports. The most recent report is entitled "Water Supply at Los Alamos during 1995" (McLin 1996).

**b. Measurement of Main Aquifer Water Levels.** In October 1992, the Laboratory began measuring and recording water level fluctuations in test wells completed into the main aquifer below Pajarito Plateau and in various other monitoring wells completed within intermediate and alluvial groundwaters located throughout the facility. These data are automatically recorded at hourly intervals using calibrated pressure transducers. Table 5-51 summarizes the locations, start and end dates for data collection, and final water levels recorded during 1995. These same data are also presented in greater detail in the Laboratory report entitled "Water Supply at Los Alamos during 1995" (McLin 1996).

### 6. Dose Equivalents from Exposure to Sediments in Mortandad Canyon

Radioanalytical results for sediments collected from Mortandad Canyon in 1995 were modeled using the RESRAD model, version 5.61 (ANL 1995). The pathways evaluated are the external gamma pathway from radioactive material deposited in the sediments, the inhalation pathway from materials resuspended by winds, and the soil ingestion pathway. Since water in the canyon is not used for drinking water or irrigation and there are no cattle grazing in the canyon or gardens in the canyon, the drinking water, meat ingestion, and fruit/vegetable ingestion pathways were not considered.

The RESRAD model was run for three areas of concern: (1) the entire canyon with 13-21 samples per analyte collected throughout the canyon, (2) the sampling location labeled GS-1, and (3) the sampling location labeled MCO-5. To model the entire canyon, the average and standard deviation of the analytical results were input into RESRAD. For the individual monitoring locations, the analytical result and the counting uncertainty were used. If more than one sample was collected or a replicate sample was submitted to the laboratory, the average and standard deviation of analytical results were used in the model. Tritium analytical data are normally provided in the amount of radioactivity per liquid volume (i.e., pCi/mL) whereas RESRAD requires the amount of radioactivity per dry gram of soil (i.e., pCi/gm). A value of 30% soil moisture for sediments in Mortandad Canyon (Stoker 1991) was



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used in a data conversion algorithm (Fresquez 1996) to calculate the required input data. Uranium data were converted into isotope-specific concentrations by assuming that the total uranium analytical result contained a natural abundance of each of the principal uranium isotopes (i.e., uranium-234, uranium-235, and uranium-238). Using the relative mass abundance and the specific activity, the concentration for each of the uranium radioisotopes was calculated. The input parameters for the RESRAD model are summarized in Table 5-52 and the initial radionuclide concentrations used in the model are summarized in Table 5-53. RESRAD calculates the daughter radionuclides based on the initial radionuclide concentrations and time since placement of material.

The total effective dose equivalent (TEDE) (i.e., the sum of the effective dose equivalents from the external gamma, the inhalation and soil ingestion pathways) is presented for the three areas of concern (Table 5-54). The TEDE using the average concentration of all monitoring locations in Mortandad Canyon and using the RESRAD input parameters in Table 5-52 is 6.75 mrem (<7% of the 100 mrem DOE PDL). The error term associated with this average value is extremely large indicating a high degree of variability in the concentrations at individual monitoring site. As can be seen from Table 5-55, the maximum TEDE, using the average TEDE as above plus twice the error term, is 36.6 mrem (<37% of the DOE PDL). The majority of this TEDE is from sediment samples collected at GS-1 and MCO-5 that have higher cesium-137 concentrations than other monitoring locations in the canyon. This radionuclide contributed more than 98% to the external gamma pathway which, in turn, contributed more than 84% to the maximum TEDE for the entire canyon system. The inhalation and soil ingestion pathways each contributed approximately 8% to this maximum TEDE. The maximum TEDEs for GS-1 and MCO-5 using the same input parameters as for the entire canyon system are 43.4 mrem and 22.1 mrem, respectively.

### 7. Dose Equivalents from Ingestion of Water from the TA-50 Effluent and the Stream Below the Outfall

Table 5-56 presents the summary of the CEDE from the ingestion of water collected in 1995 from the TA-50 effluent. To estimate the CEDE for someone consuming water from the stream below the outfall, the effluent concentration was mixed with the average annual storm runoff into Mortandad Canyon (Purtymun 1983). Since no water is derived from Mortandad Canyon for drinking, industrial, or agricultural purposes (Penrose 1990), comparisons with the standards for drinking water are inappropriate and were not made. The CEDEs provided below are based on a per liter of water intake and an exercise scenario where a jogger or hiker drinks from the TA-50 effluent or the stream directly below the outfall.

By providing the CEDE on a per liter basis, the reader is enabled to determine his or her own level of intake of water from these sources and multiply this intake by the CEDE figures provided in the table. The total CEDE on a per liter intake bases for these sources are 1.30 mrem and 0.49 mrem per liter of water consumed from the TA-50 effluent and the stream directly below the outfall, respectively.

Any exercise scenario is highly unlikely to occur because most individuals will most likely bring bottled water along for an extended hike or jog in the canyon. However, the modeled exercise scenario has a jogger or hiker going into Mortandad Canyon, becoming thirsty, and drinking from the TA-50 effluent or stream directly below the TA-50 permitted outfall. The hourly intake of water for an individual with a high activity level and ambient temperatures of 90°F is estimated at  $0.286 \pm 0.260$  L/hr (McNall 1974) for members in the US Army performing heavy, strenuous training (assumed to be a similar level of activity as exercise). Since the majority of persons exercise less than one hour per session, the maximum intake was estimated using the average + two sigma, and the average intake is estimated using only the average value above for each exercise event. The modeled exercise scenario assumes an individual exercises 4 times a week for 50 weeks and drinks from the TA-50 effluent and stream only 10% of the time. The total water consumed per year from each source with this scenario is 16.1 L for the maximum consumption rate, whereas for the average consumption rate, the total water consumed per year from each source is 5.7 L. The total CEDE for this scenario using the maximum consumption rate is 20.9 mrem and 7.8 mrem for the TA-50 effluent and the stream directly below the outfall, respectively. For the average consumption rate, these values drop to 7.4 mrem and 2.8 mrem for these two sources, respectively.

Table 5-1. Summary of Technical Area 50 Radionuclide and Nitrate Discharges<sup>a</sup>

Radionuclide	1963–1977	1993			1994			1995		
	Total Activity Released (mCi) <sup>b</sup>	Total Annual Activity (mCi)	Mean Concentration (pCi/L)	Ratio of Concentration to DCG <sup>c</sup>	Total Annual Activity (mCi)	Mean Concentration (pCi/L)	Ratio of Concentration to DCG	Total Annual Activity (mCi)	Mean Concentration (pCi/L)	Ratio of Concentration to DCG
<sup>3</sup> H	25,150	2,660	123,000	0.06	2,230	107,000	0.05	731	41,400	0.02
<sup>241</sup> Am	7	11.2	522	17.40	3.1	147	4.9	1.4	79.4	2.65
<sup>137</sup> Cs	848	8.2	375	0.13	8.5	408	0.14	6.6	375	0.13
<sup>238</sup> Pu	51	0.6	26.8	0.67	2.8	135	3.38	3.4	195	4.88
<sup>239</sup> Pu	39	0.5	23.1	0.77	0.4	21.4	0.71	0.6	35.6	1.19
<sup>90</sup> Sr	295	3.4	155	0.16	0.3	13.7	0.01	0.6	36.9	0.04

Constituent	Total Annual Mass (kg)	Mean Concentration (mg/L)	Ratio of Concentration to MCL <sup>d</sup>	Total Annual Mass (kg)	Mean Concentration (mg/L)	Ratio of Concentration to MCL	Total Annual Mass (kg)	Mean Concentration (mg/L)	Ratio of Concentration to MCL
NO <sub>3</sub> -N	1,440	81.6	8.1	947	45.5	4.5	718	35.6	3.5
Total effluent volume (×10 <sup>7</sup> liters)	2.17			2.08			1.76		

<sup>a</sup>Compiled from Radioactive & Industrial Wastewater Science Group (CST-13) Annual Reports.  
<sup>b</sup>DOE, 1979; decay corrected through 12/77.  
<sup>c</sup>DOE Derived Concentration Guide.  
<sup>d</sup>Maximum contaminant level.

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**Table 5-2. Organic Analytical Methods**

Test	SW-846 Method	Extraction Water	Extraction Sediments	Number of Analytes
Volatiles	8260A	E0730	E0720	59
Semivolatiles	8270B <sup>a</sup>	E0530	E0510	69
PCB <sup>b</sup>	8080A, 8081	E0430	E0410	4
HE <sup>c</sup>	8330			14

<sup>a</sup>Direct injection used for method 8270B.

<sup>b</sup>PCB = polychlorinated biphenyls.

<sup>c</sup>HE = high-explosive.

**Table 5-3. Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs)**

Analytes	Limit of Quantitation	
	Water (µg/L)	Sediments (mg/kg)
Acetone	20	0.02
Benzene	5	0.005
Bromobenzene	5	0.005
Bromochloromethane	5	0.005
Bromodichloromethane	5	0.005
Bromoform	5	0.005
Bromomethane	10	0.01
Butanone [2-]	20	0.02
Butylbenzene [n-]	5	0.005
Butylbenzene [sec-]	5	0.005
Butylbenzene [tert-]	5	0.005
Carbon disulfide	5	0.005
Carbon tetrachloride	5	0.005
Chlorobenzene	5	0.005
Chlorodibromomethane	5	0.005
Chloroethane	10	0.01
Chloroform	5	0.005
Chloromethane	10	0.01
Chlorotoluene [o-]	5	0.005
Chlorotoluene [p-]	5	0.005
Dibromoethane [1,2-]	5	0.005
Dichlorobenzene [o-] (1,2)	5	0.005
Dichlorobenzene [m-] (1,3)	5	0.005
Dichlorobenzene [p-] (1,4)	5	0.005
Dichlorodifluoromethane	10	0.01
Dichloroethane [1,1-]	5	0.005
Dichloroethane [1,2-]	5	0.005
Dichloroethene [1,1-]	5	0.005
Dichloroethene [trans-1,2-]	5	0.005
Dichloroethylene [cis-1,2-]	5	0.005
Dichloropropane [1,2-]	5	0.005
Dichloropropane [1,3-]	5	0.005

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**Table 5-3. Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) (Cont.)**

Analytes	Limit of Quantitation	
	Water (µg/L)	Sediments (mg/kg)
Dichloropropane [2,2-]	5	0.005
Dichloropropene [1,1-]	5	0.005
Dichloropropene [cis-1,3-]	5	0.005
Dichloropropene [trans-1,3-]	5	0.005
Ethylbenzene	5	0.005
Hexanone [2-]	20	0.02
Isopropylbenzene	5	0.005
Isopropyltoluene [4-]	5	0.005
Methyl iodide	5	0.005
Methyl-2-pentanone [4-]	20	0.02
Methylene chloride	5	0.005
Propylbenzene	5	0.005
Styrene	5	0.005
Tetrachloroethane [1,1,1,2-]	5	0.005
Tetrachloroethane [1,1,2,2-]	5	0.005
Tetrachloroethylene	5	0.005
Toluene	5	0.005
Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane [1,1,2-]	5	0.005
Trichloroethane [1,1,1-]	5	0.005
Trichloroethane [1,1,2-]	5	0.005
Trichloroethene	5	0.005
Trichlorofluoromethane	5	0.005
Trichloropropane [1,2,3]	5	0.005
Trimethylbenzene [1,2,4-]	5	0.005
Trimethylbenzene [1,3,5-]	5	0.005
Vinyl chloride	10	0.01
Xylenes (o + m + p) [Mixed-]	5	0.005

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**Table 5-4. Semivolatile Organic Compounds (SVOCs)**

Analytes	Limit of Quantitation	
	Water (µg/L)	Sediments (mg/kg)
Acenaphthene	10	0.33
Acenaphthylene	10	0.33
Aniline	10	0.33
Anthracene	10	0.33
Azobenzene	10	0.33
Benzidine [m-]	10	0.33
Benzo[a]anthracene	10	0.33
Benzo[a]pyrene	10	0.33
Benzo[b]fluoranthene	10	0.33
Benzo[g,h,i]perylene	10	0.33
Benzo[k]fluoranthene	10	0.33
Benzoic acid	50	1.65
Benzyl alcohol	10	0.33
Bis(2-chloroethoxy)methane	10	0.33
Bis(2-chloroethyl)ether	10	0.33
Bis(2-chloroisopropyl)ether	10	0.33
Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate	10	0.33
Bromophenylphenyl ether [4-]	10	0.33
Butyl benzyl phthalate	10	0.33
Chloro-3-methylphenol [4-]	10	0.33
Chloroaniline [4-]	10	0.33
Chloronaphthalene [2-]	10	0.33
Chlorophenol [o-]	10	0.33
Chlorophenylphenyl ether [4-]	10	0.33
Chrysene	10	0.33
Di-n-butyl phthalate	10	0.33
Di-n-octyl phthalate	10	0.33
Dibenzo[a,h]anthracene	10	0.33
Dibenzofuran	10	0.33
Dichlorobenzene (1,2) [o-]	10	0.33
Dichlorobenzene (1,3) [m-]	10	0.33
Dichlorobenzene (1,4) [p-]	10	0.33
Dichlorobenzidine [3,3'-]	20	0.66
Dichlorophenol [2,4-]	10	0.33
Diethyl phthalate	10	0.33
Dimethyl phthalate	10	0.33
Dimethylphenol [2,4-]	10	0.33
Dinitrophenol [2,4-]	10	0.33
Dinitrotoluene [2,4-]	50	1.65
Dinitrotoluene [2,6-]	10	0.33
Fluoranthene	10	0.33
Fluorene	10	0.33
Hexachlorobenzene	10	0.33
Hexachlorobutadiene	50	1.65
Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	10	0.33
Hexachloroethane	10	0.33

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**Table 5-4. Semivolatile Organic Compounds (SVOCs)  
(Cont.)**

Analytes	Limit of Quantitation	
	Water (µg/L)	Sediments (mg/kg)
Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene	10	0.33
Isophorone	10	0.33
Methyl-4,6-dinitrophenol [2-]	50	1.65
Methylnaphthalene [2-]	10	0.33
Methylphenol [2-]	10	0.33
Methylphenol [4-]	10	0.33
Naphthalene	10	0.33
Nitroaniline [2-]	20	0.66
Nitroaniline [3-]	20	0.66
Nitroaniline [4-]	20	0.66
Nitrobenzene	10	0.33
Nitrophenol [2-]	10	0.33
Nitrophenol [4-]	50	1.65
Nitrosodi-n-propylamine [N-]	10	0.33
Nitrosodimethylamine [N-]	10	0.33
Nitrosodiphenylamine [N-]	10	0.33
Pentachlorophenol	50	1.65
Phenanthrene	10	0.33
Phenol	10	0.33
Pyrene	50	1.65
Trichlorobenzene [1,2,4-]	10	0.33
Trichlorophenol [2,4,5-]	10	0.33
Trichlorophenol [2,4,6-]	10	0.33

**Table 5-5. Polychlorinated Biphenyls  
(PCB) Analytes**

Analytes	Detection Limits	
	Water (µg/L)	Sediments (mg/kg)
Aroclor [Mixed-]	0.05	0.06
Aroclor 1242	0.05	0.06
Aroclor 1254	0.05	0.06
Aroclor 1260	0.05	0.06

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**Table 5-6. High Explosives Analytes**

Analytes	Limit of Quantitation	
	Water (µg/L)	Sediments (mg/kg)
HMX	0.21	2.20
RDX	0.27	1.00
1,3,5-TNB	0.042	0.25
1,3-DNB	0.032	0.25
Tetryl	0.24	0.65
Nitrobenzene	0.13	0.26
2,4,6-TNT	0.068	0.25
4-A-2,6-DNT	0.046	0.25
2-A-4,6-DNT	0.046	0.25
2,6-DNT	0.085	0.25
2,4-DNT	0.085	0.25
2-NT	0.10	0.25
4-NT	0.12	0.25
3-NT	0.13	0.25

**Table 5-7. Calculated Detection Limits (DL) Based on Reported Uncertainties**

Analyte	Units	CST Reported DL	Calculated DL (3 times average one sigma uncertainty)
		Water Analysis	
<sup>3</sup> H	pCi/L	300	324.0
<sup>3</sup> H	pCi/L	300	825 <sup>a</sup>
<sup>3</sup> H	pCi/L	300	1900 <sup>b</sup>
<sup>90</sup> Sr	pCi/L	3.0	3.1
<sup>137</sup> Cs	pCi/L	2.0	4.4
U	µg/L	0.1	0.03
<sup>238</sup> Pu and <sup>239,240</sup> Pu	pCi/L	0.04	0.03
<sup>241</sup> Am	pCi/L	0.04	0.06
Gross Alpha	pCi/L	3.0	5.4
Gross Beta	pCi/L	3.0	1.1
Gross Gamma	pCi/L		130 <sup>c</sup>
Sediments Analysis			
<sup>90</sup> Sr	pCi/g	1.0	0.95
<sup>137</sup> Cs	pCi/g	0.05	0.067
U	µg/g	0.02	0.24 <sup>d</sup>
<sup>238</sup> Pu and <sup>239,240</sup> Pu	pCi/g	0.002	0.005
<sup>241</sup> Am	pCi/g	0.002	0.005
Gross Alpha	pCi/g	1.5	0.78
Gross Beta	pCi/g	1.5	0.53
Gross Gamma	pCi/g		0.85 <sup>e</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Minimum detection limit calculated from blanks as described in text.

<sup>b</sup>Minimum detection limit calculated from duplicates as described in text.

<sup>c</sup>From uncertainties associated with sample values less than 50 pCi/L.

<sup>d</sup>From uncertainties associated with sample values less than 1 µg/g.

<sup>e</sup>From uncertainties associated with sample values less than 3 pCi/g.

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Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	<sup>3</sup> H (pCi/L)	<sup>90</sup> Sr (pCi/L)	<sup>137</sup> Cs (pCi/L)	U (μg/L)	<sup>238</sup> Pu (pCi/L)	<sup>239, 240</sup> Pu (pCi/L)	<sup>241</sup> Am (pCi/L)	Gross Alpha (pCi/L)	Gross Beta (pCi/L)	Gross Gamma (pCi/L)
Regional Stations												
Rio Chama at Chamita	05/09	1	−200 (300) <sup>b</sup>	.4 (.8)	< .61 <sup>c</sup>	1.04 (.1)	−.017 (.003)	.003 (.007)	.004 (.015)	−.4 (.7)	2.4 (.4)	100 (50)
Rio Grande at Embudo	05/09	1	−200 (300)	.2 (.8)	< .47	1.18 (.12)	.025 (.014)	.006 (.013)	.035 (.015)	.6 (.7)	2.1 (.4)	110 (50)
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	05/09	1	0 (300)	.5 (.8)	< .88	1.26 (.13)	.004 (.008)	.003 (.008)	.054 (.017)	1 (.8)	2.5 (.4)	100 (50)
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	09/15	1	0 (300)	.2 (.9)	1.13 (.57)	2.52 (.33)	−.02 (.009)	−.004 (.01)	.050 (.030)	1 (.9)	5 (.7)	10 (40)
Rio Grande at Otowi (wdth intgrt)	09/15	1	−300 (300)	.6 (.9)	−.21 (.8)	2.63 (.34)	.023 (.016)	.015 (.019)	.031 (.017)	4 (1)	4 (.6)	50 (50)
Rio Grande at Frijoles (bank)	09/13	1	500 (300)	.5 (.7)	.86 (.34)	2.53 (.25)	.016 (.01)	.001 (.008)	.025 (.013)	3 (1)	5 (.7)	50 (50)
Rio Grande at Frijoles (wdth intgrt)	09/13	1	100 (300)	0 (1)	.21 (.32)	2.46 (.27)	.003 (.008)	−.018 (.01)	.026 (.018)	.4 (1)	5 (.7)	20 (40)
Rio Grande at Cochiti	05/11	1	100 (300)	.6 (1)	.76 (.44)	1.46 (.15)	.021 (.012)	.032 (.012)	.028 (.016)	.9 (.8)	2.3 (.4)	120 (50)
Rio Grande at Bernalillo	05/11	1	−100 (300)	1.3 (1)	1.75 (.57)	1.6 (.19)	.049 (.017)	.024 (.014)	.057 (.018)	.5 (.8)	3.4 (.5)	80 (50)
Rio Grande at Bernalillo	05/11	D1				1.62 (.18)						
Rio Grande at Bernalillo	05/11	R1					.032 (.01)	.01 (.01)	.057 (.0176)			
Jemez River	05/11	1	0 (300)	−.2 (1.1)	1.29 (.46)	.53 (.05)	−.007 (.005)	.005 (.009)	.032 (.015)	4 (1)	5.8 (.7)	40 (40)
Jemez River	05/11	D1		−.4 (1.3)								
Pajarito Plateau												
Guaje Canyon:												
Guaje Canyon	06/06	1	0 (300)	−.4 (.9)	< .91	.36 (.04)	.002 (.008)	.012 (.01)	.043 (.025)	.2 (.4)	3.3 (.5)	−10 (40)
Pueblo Canyon:												
Acid Weir	07/28	1	−100 (300)	6.9 (1)	.49 (.73)	.42 (.07)	−.002 (.013)	.517 (.058)	.115 (.025)	1 (1)	22 (2)	20 (40)
Pueblo 1	07/28	1	−100 (300)	−.3 (.9)	.52 (.79)	.06 (.01)	−.015 (.006)	.024 (.016)	.12 (.029)	−212 (70)	141 (10)	30 (40)
Pueblo 2	07/28	Dry-No Sample										
Pueblo 3	07/28	Dry-No Sample										
Pueblo at SR-502		see Table 5-10										
DP/Los Alamos Canyon:												
Los Alamos Canyon Reservoir	06/02	1	200 (300)	.1 (.9)	.65 (.4)	.1 (.01)	−.012 (.003)	.012 (.012)	.019 (.014)	−.3 (.3)	2.5 (.4)	250 (50)
DPS-1	06/21	1	−100 (300)	84.5 (4.9)	1.56(2.33)	.45 (.05)	.032 (.016)	.026 (.014)	.065 (.019)	−5.9 (4.9)	189.7 (22.3)	30 (40)
DPS-1	06/21	R1								−13.5 (5.5)	212 (22.3)	
DPS-4	06/21	1	0 (300)	47.2 (2.8)	.84 (.41)	.11 (.01)	.025 (.012)	.068 (.019)	.119 (.026)	−2.4 (2.4)	102.6 (10)	40 (40)
DPS-4	06/21	D1		45.6 (2.7)								
Los Alamos at Rio Grande		see Table 5-10										
Sandia Canyon:												
SCS-1	06/07	1	−300 (300)	.6 (.8)	< .74	.33 (.03)	.002 (.006)	.015 (.011)	.029 (.015)	−.1 (1.2)	8.9 (1.1)	0 (40)
SCS-2	06/07	1	−200 (300)	1.1 (.7)	.52 (.29)	.51 (.05)	.003 (.007)	.024 (.012)	.063 (.019)	0 (1.2)	11.1 (1.1)	30 (40)
SCS-3	06/07	1	0 (400)	.3 (.7)	< .87	.55 (.06)	−.008 (.005)	.018 (.011)	.031 (.014)	0 (1.2)	11 (1.1)	20 (40)
Mortandad Canyon:												
Mortandad at GS-1	07/28	1	18,000 (1300)	30.8 (2)	49.6 (5.8)	2.24 (.29)	4.694 (.269)	.732 (.069)	1.76 (.26)	49 (12)	346 (33)	40 (40)
Mortandad at GS-1	07/28	D1				2.04 (.2)						
Mortandad at Rio Grande	09/11	1	200 (300)	.5 (.7)	.24 (.37)	.54 (.05)	−.016 (.011)	−.01 (.012)	.022 (.013)	0 (1)	15 (1)	20 (40)



Table 5-8. Radiochemical Analysis of Surface Waters for 1995 (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	<sup>3</sup> H (pCi/L)	<sup>90</sup> Sr (pCi/L)	<sup>137</sup> Cs (pCi/L)	U (µg/L)	<sup>238</sup> Pu (pCi/L)	<sup>239, 240</sup> Pu (pCi/L)	<sup>241</sup> Am (pCi/L)	Gross Alpha (pCi/L)	Gross Beta (pCi/L)	Gross Gamma (pCi/L)
<b>Cañada del Buey:</b>												
Cañada del Buey	06/05	1	–200 (300)	1.1 (.9)	< .82	.92 (.09)	.006 (.009)	.008 (.013)	.055 (.017)	2.9 (1.8)	5 (.6)	0 (40)
<b>Pajarito Canyon:</b>												
Pajarito Canyon	07/27	1	100 (300)	.4 (.7)	–.61 (.8)	.17 (.02)	.007 (.015)	.018 (.014)	.036 (.017)	.2 (.6)	1 (.3)	50 (40)
Pajarito at Rio Grande	09/11	1	–200 (300)	1.2 (.8)	.21 (.32)	1.08 (.15)	.016 (.016)	.026 (.015)	.033 (.02)	.6 (.6)	3 (.5)	180 (50)
Pajarito at Rio Grande	09/11	D1			.81 (.39)							
Pajarito at Rio Grande	09/11	R1	100 (400)							.2 (.6)	3 (.5)	100 (50)
<b>Water Canyon:</b>												
Water Canyon at Beta	08/04	1	0 (300)	0 (2.9)	.71 (.33)	.62 (.06)	.011 (.011)	–.002 (.016)	.013 (.011)	0 (.8)	9 (1)	–40 (50)
<b>Ancho Canyon:</b>												
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	1	–100 (300)	3.9 (1)	.71 (.3)	.22 (.04)	.005 (.014)	.002 (.011)	.04 (.022)	–.4 (.5)	2 (.5)	160 (50)
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	R1	100 (400)						–.051 (.05)			
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	d 1	0 (300)	1.1 (.9)	.91 (1.37)	.23 (.03)	–.012 (.013)	–.005 (.013)		–.1 (.5)	3 (.5)	30 (40)
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	d D1				.21 (.03)						
<b>Frijoles Canyon:</b>												
Frijoles at Monument HQ	06/02	1	–200 (300)	.3 (.8)	< 1.33	.18 (.03)	.007 (.009)	.008 (.013)	.172 (.035)	–.2 (.4)	2.5 (.4)	340 (60)
Frijoles at Monument HQ	07/27	1	200 (300)	.3 (.8)	–.16 (.8)	.4 (.05)	.003 (.015)	.01 (.014)	.033 (.018)	0 (.6)	2 (.5)	50 (40)
Frijoles at Rio Grande	09/13	1	–100 (300)	.2 (.9)	.78 (1.17)	.12 (.02)	–.028 (.014)	.003 (.017)	.035 (.02)	–.2 (.5)	3 (.5)	40 (50)
Frijoles at Rio Grande	09/13	D1		0 (.9)								
<b>Detection Limits</b>			2,000	3	4	0.1	0.04	0.04	0.04	3	3	
<b>Water Quality Standards<sup>d</sup></b>												
DOE DCG for Public Dose			2,000,000	1,000	3,000	800	40	60	30			
DOE Drinking Water System DCG			80,000	40	120	30	1.6	1.2	1.2			
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard			20,000	8		20				15		
EPA Screening Level											50	
NMWQCC Livestock Watering Standards			20,000							15		
NMWQCC Groundwater Limit						5,000						

<sup>a</sup> Codes: d—field duplicate; 1—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate; D1—lab duplicate.<sup>b</sup> Radioactivity counting uncertainties (1 standard deviation, except <sup>3</sup>H—3 standard deviations) are shown in parenthesis. Values less than twice the radioactivity counting uncertainty are considered a nondetection.<sup>c</sup> Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified detection limit for the analytical method.<sup>d</sup> Standards given here for comparison only; see Appendix A.

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**Table 5-9. Apparent Detections of Radiochemical Constituents in Surface Waters for 1995<sup>a</sup> (pCi/L)**

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>b</sup>	<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>241</sup> Am
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	5/9	1		.054 (.017)
Rio Grande at Bernalillo	5/11	1	.049 (.017) <sup>c</sup>	.057 (.018)
Rio Grande at Bernalillo	5/11	R1		.057 (.018)
Cañada del Buey	6/5	1		.055 (.017)
Frijoles at Monument HQ	6/2	1		.172 (.035)
<b>Detection Limits</b>			0.04	0.04

<sup>a</sup>Outside of known contaminated areas.

<sup>b</sup>Codes: Primary analysis; R1— lab replicate.

<sup>c</sup>Radioactivity counting uncertainties (1 standard deviation) are shown in parenthesis. Values less than twice the radioactivity counting uncertainty are considered a nondetection.

Table 5-10. Radiochemical Analysis of Runoff Samples in 1995

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	<sup>3</sup> H (pCi/L)	<sup>90</sup> Sr (pCi/L)	<sup>137</sup> Cs (pCi/L)	U (μg/L)	<sup>238</sup> Pu (pCi/L)	<sup>239,240</sup> Pu (pCi/L)	<sup>241</sup> Am (pCi/L)	Gross Alpha (pCi/L)	Gross Beta (pCi/L)	Gross Gamma (pCi/L)
<b>Pajarito Plateau</b>												
<b>Pueblo Canyon:</b>												
Pueblo at Land Fill	5/25	1					.008 (.015) <sup>b</sup>	0 (.008)				
Pueblo at Land Fill	7/18	1	200 (300)	.7 (.8)	.83 (1.26)	.22 (.03)	-.023 (.009)	.027 (.017)	.044 (.015)	.2 (.4)	2 (.5)	50 (50)
Pueblo at GS	5/25	1					.009 (.01)	.007 (.011)				
Pueblo at GS	7/18	1	0 (300)	1.5 (.9)	1.68 (.67)	.28 (.03)	-.013 (.011)	-.004 (.01)	.045 (.053)	-.1 (1)	12 (1)	20 (50)
Pueblo at GS	7/18	R1										-10 (50)
Pueblo at SR-502	5/25	1					-.023 (.008)	.012 (.015)				
<b>DP/Los Alamos Canyon:</b>												
Los Alamos at Upper GS	5/25	1					.02 (.013)	.048 (.016)				
DP Canyon Above Confluence	7/18	1	-100 (300)		.71 (1.07)	.17 (.02)	-.005 (.01)	.026 (.018)	.074 (.021)	-.1 (.5)	28 (3)	30 (50)
DP Canyon Above Confluence	7/18	D1				.13 (.02)						
Los Alamos at GS-1	5/1	1	200 (300)	1.9 (.9)	.7 (.36)	.08 (.01)	.008 (.019)	.032 (.02)	.035 (.016)	-.4 (.7)	7.5 (.9)	120 (50)
Los Alamos at GS-1	5/5	1	-100 (300)	.5 (1.1)	.48 (.23)	1 (.1)	-.011 (.006)	.02 (.011)	.042 (.016)	-1 (1)	5.4 (.7)	90 (50)
Los Alamos at GS-1	5/8	1	200 (300)	1.8 (1)	.64 (.3)	.13 (.01)	.018 (.01)	.029 (.014)	.147 (.028)	.5 (.7)	7.5 (.9)	10 (40)
Los Alamos at GS-1	5/8	R1	200 (400)									
Los Alamos at GS-1	7/18	1	-100 (300)	1.5 (.8)	.54 (.81)	.67 (.07)	.019 (.018)	.084 (.031)	.014 (.013)	.4 (.4)	3 (.5)	50 (50)
Los Alamos at GS-1	7/18	D1		1.7 (.7)								
Los Alamos at SR-4	5/19	1					0 (.006)	.021 (.01)				
Los Alamos at SR-4	5/25	1					.02 (.013)	.057 (.018)				
Los Alamos at SR-4	7/18	1	0 (300)	6.1 (.8)	1.27 (.63)	.29 (.03)	.005 (.03)	.048 (.029)	.117 (.026)	0 (.5)	13 (1)	20 (50)
Los Alamos at SR-4	7/18	R1								.1 (.5)	12 (1)	
Los Alamos at Rio Grande	5/19	1					.013 (.011)	.032 (.015)				
Los Alamos at Rio Grande	5/25	1					-.006 (.01)	.006 (.01)				
<b>Pajarito Canyon:</b>												
Pajarito at SR-501	5/25	1					.016 (.011)	.011 (.011)				
Pajarito at SR-4	7/18	1	300 (300)	.3 (.8)	1.06 (.54)	1.16 (.12)	.002 (.01)	-.016 (.009)	.028 (.012)	3 (1)	7 (.9)	10 (50)
<b>Ancho Canyon:</b>												
Ancho Canyon near Bandelier	6/29	1	300 (300)	50.9 (3.5)	.11 (.17)	9.47 (.95)	-.011 (.033)	-.008 (.022)	.003 (.001)	23 (9)	73 (8)	460 (70)
<b>Detection Limits</b>												
			2,000	3	4	0.1	.04	.04	.04	3	3	
<b>Water Quality Standards<sup>c</sup></b>												
DOE DCG for Public Dose			2,000,000	1,000	3,000	800	40	30	30			
DOE Drinking Water System DCG			80,000	40	120	30	1.6	1.2	1.2			
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard			20,000	8		20					15	
NMWQCC Groundwater Limit					5,000							

<sup>a</sup>Codes: d—field duplicate; 1—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate; D1—lab duplicate.<sup>b</sup>Radioactivity counting uncertainties (1 standard deviation, except <sup>3</sup>H—3 standard deviation) are shown in parenthesis. Values less than two standard deviations are considered a nondetection.<sup>c</sup>Standards given here for comparison only; see Appendix A.

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Table 5-11. Plutonium in Runoff Samples in 1995

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	Concentration in Solution				Concentration in Suspended Sediment				Suspended Sediment (μg/L)
			<sup>238</sup> Pu		<sup>239,240</sup> Pu		<sup>238</sup> Pu		<sup>239,240</sup> Pu		
			(pCi/L)	(pCi/L)	(pCi/g)	(pCi/g)	(pCi/g)	(pCi/g)			
<b>Pajarito Plateau</b>											
<b>Pueblo Canyon:</b>											
Pueblo at Land Fill	5/25	1	.008	(.015)	0	(.008)					
Pueblo at Land Fill	7/18	1	-.023	(.009)	.027	(.017)	.01	(.005)	.009	(.006)	
Pueblo at GS	5/25	1	.009	(.01)	.007	(.011)					
Pueblo at GS	7/18	1	-.013	(.011)	-.004	(.01)					
Pueblo at SR-502	5/25	1	-.023	(.008)	.012	(.015)					
<b>DP/Los Alamos Canyon:</b>											
Los Alamos at Upper GS	5/25	1	.02	(.013)	.048	(.016)					
DP Canyon Above Confluence	7/18	1	-.005	(.01)	.026	(.018)	.249	(.022)	1.21	(.056)	
Los Alamos at GS-1	5/1	1	.008	(.019)	.032	(.02)					10,000
Los Alamos at GS-1	5/5	1	-.011	(.006)	.02	(.011)					1,800
Los Alamos at GS-1	5/8	1	.018	(.01)	.029	(.014)					45,500
Los Alamos at GS-1	7/18	1	.019	(.018)	.084	(.031)	.013	(.014)	2.429	(.125)	
Los Alamos at SR-4	5/19	1	0	(.006)	.021	(.01)					
Los Alamos at SR-4	5/25	1	.02	(.013)	.057	(.018)					
Los Alamos at SR-4	6/1	1	-.013	(.007)	.023	(.018)	.191	(.067)	1.448	(.169)	38,000
Los Alamos at SR-4	7/18	1	.005	(.03)	.048	(.029)	.217	(.025)	1.806	(.094)	
Los Alamos at Rio Grande	5/19	1	.013	(.011)	.032	(.015)					
Los Alamos at Rio Grande	5/25	1	-.006	(.01)	.006	(.01)					
Los Alamos at Rio Grande	6/1	1	.013	(.011)	.022	(.012)	.031	(.024)	1.298	(.101)	173,000
<b>Pajarito Canyon:</b>											
Pajarito at SR-501	5/25	1	.016	(.011)	.011	(.011)					
Pajarito at SR-4	7/18	1	.002	(.01)	-.016	(.009)	-.036	(.032)	.036	(.064)	
<b>Ancho Canyon:</b>											
Ancho Canyon near Bandelier	6/29	1	-.011	(.033)	-.008	(.022)	.002	(.001)	.039	(.003)	
Ancho Canyon near Bandelier	6/29	R1					.036	(.009)	.061	(.012)	

<sup>a</sup> Codes: 1—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate.

Table 5-12. Chemical Quality of Surface Waters for 1995 (mg/L<sup>a</sup>)

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>b</sup>	SiO <sub>2</sub>	Ca	Mg	K	Na	Cl	SO <sub>4</sub>	CO <sub>3</sub> Alkalinity	Total Alkalinity	F	PO <sub>4</sub> -P	NO <sub>3</sub> -N	CN	TDS <sup>c</sup>	TSS <sup>d</sup>	Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	pH <sup>e</sup>	Conductance (μS/cm)
Regional Stations																				
Rio Chama at Chamita	05/09	1	22	33	7.6	2.5	13	2	58	0	74	0.1	<.02	0.01	<.01	389	61	113	7.85	281
Rio Grande at Embudo	05/09	1	31	24	5.2	2.6	9	2	21	0	72	0.3	<.02	0.11	0.01	323	66	82	7.96	199
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	05/09	1	32	33	7.1	2.8	13	3	42	0	79	0.2	<.02	0.07	0.01	412	83	112	7.91	257
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	09/15	1	21	37	7.2	3.0	17	8	41	<5 <sup>f</sup>	108	0.4	0.03	0.59	<.01	252	<1	121	7.38	323
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	09/15	R1										0.4								
Rio Grande at Otowi (wdth intgrt)	09/15	1	18	37	7.7	3.3	17	7	42	<5	110	0.4	0.05	<.04	<.01	232	<1	123	7.09	325
Rio Grande at Otowi (wdth intgrt)	09/15	R1		38	7.9	3.4	18											126		
Rio Grande at Frijoles (bank)	09/13	1	19	44	10.0	2.9	18	7	42	<5	103	0.4	0.04	5.10	<.01	246	<1	150	7.96	324
Rio Grande at Frijoles (wdth intgrt)	09/13	1	19	43	9.5	4.6	17	7	43	<5	99	0.4	0.07	0.08	<.01	212	<1	145	7.96	307
Rio Grande at Frijoles (wdth intgrt)	09/13	R1	19																	
Rio Grande at Cochiti	05/11	1	29	29	6.6	2.7	12	3	43	0	81	0.2	0.09	0.03	0.01	398	86	100	7.18	265
Rio Grande at Bernalillo	05/11	1	29	32	6.7	3.0	17	6	46	0	84	0.2	<.02	0.06	<.01	397	60	108	8.04	285
Jemez River	05/11	1	36	21	3.1	3.1	17	17	10	0	70	0.3	<.02	0.02	<.01	275	30	65	8.04	219
Pajarito Plateau																				
Guaje Canyon:																				
Guaje Canyon	06/06	1	51	7	3.3	2.8	6	1	5	0	34	0.1	0.04	0.00	0.01	174	28	32	7.6	85
Pueblo Canyon:																				
Acid Weir	07/28	1	20	10	1.2	5.0	45	49	6	<5	54	0.3	0.37	0.92	0.02	212	<1	34	6.74	299
Acid Weir	07/28	R1												0.92						
Pueblo 1	07/28	1	23	12	2.5	6.5	36	35	6	<5	68	0.3	0.75	0.25	<.01	188	2	40	7.17	259
Pueblo 1	07/28	R1										0.2								
Pueblo 2			Dry-No Sample																	
Pueblo 3			Dry-No Sample																	
Pueblo at SR-502			Runoff Sample-Only Radiological Data Available																	
DP/Los Alamos Canyon:																				
Los Alamos Canyon Reservoir	06/02	1	32	6	2.5	1.7	5	6	5	0	28	0.1	<.02	0.80	<.01	128	10	26	7.28	84
DPS-1	06/21	1	20	35	2.4	5.5	68	51	11	<5	110	0.5	0.04	<.04	<.01	540	<1	150	7.75	519
DPS-1	06/21	R1										0.5								
DPS-4	06/21	1	19	17	1.7	7.2	41	49	7	<5	72	1.0	0.05	0.18	<.01	224	<1	49	7.66	295
Los Alamos at Rio Grande			Runoff Sample-Only Radiological Data Available																	
Sandia Canyon:																				
SCS-1	06/07	1	96	21	5.2	8.9	58	33	13	<5	119	2.5	2.35	4.47	<.01	338	4	61	8.39	352
SCS-2	06/07	1	83	25	5.5	11.0	90	48	72	<5	117	2.1	2.28	2.99	<.01	220	5	82	8.53	517
SCS-3	06/07	1	83	24	5.4	12.0	94	45	71	<15	106	2.1	2.39	3.00	<.01	478	4	82	8.65	480
SCS-3	06/07	R1	84							<11	120	2.1								
Mortandad Canyon:																				
Mortandad at GS-1	07/28	1	50	51	3.5	7.2	87	13	41	<5	208	1.0	0.22	14.97	0.01	514	2	140	7.59	614
Mortandad at Rio Grande	09/11	1	85	27	5.8	13.0	67	44	26	<5	122	0.8	5.70	4.08	<.01	402	<1	91	7.64	500

Table 5-12. Chemical Quality of Surface Waters for 1995 (mg/L<sup>a</sup>) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>b</sup>	SiO <sub>2</sub>	Ca	Mg	K	Na	Cl	SO <sub>4</sub>	CO <sub>3</sub> Alkalinity	Total Alkalinity	F	PO <sub>4</sub> -P	NO <sub>3</sub> -N	CN	TDS <sup>c</sup>	TSS <sup>d</sup>	Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	pH <sup>e</sup>	Conductance (μS/cm)
<b>Cañada del Buey:</b> Cañada del Buey	06/05	1	28	11	5.5	7.3	21	14	7	<5	45	0.5	0.08	<.04	0.02	296	35	50	6.55	128
<b>Pajarito Canyon:</b> Pajarito Canyon	07/27	1	37	15	4.5	4.1	19	20	8	<5	62	0.2	0.25	0.31	<.01	136	<1	56	7.44	194
Pajarito at Rio Grande	09/11	1	68	20	4.3	2.8	12	7	8	<5	84	0.4	<.02	0.70	<.01	222	<1	67	8.2	191
<b>Water Canyon:</b> Water Canyon at Beta	08/04	1	38	16	4.8	5.2	19	29	6	<5	66	0.2	0.22	9.61	<.01	182	3	59	6.84	243
<b>Ancho Canyon:</b> Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	1	76	14	3.4	2.4	11	5	6	<14	66	0.4	0.03	<.04	<.01	190	<1	49	9.21	139
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	R1		14	3.3	2.7	10			<12	71							48		
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	1	76	13	3.1	2.4	10	5	6	<12	75	0.4	<.02	0.04	<.01	188	2	45	9.33	135
<b>Frijoles Canyon:</b> Frijoles at Monument HQ	06/02	1	54	9	3.3	1.9	8	5	3	0	43	0.1	<.02	0.01	<.01	182	19	35	7.38	108
Frijoles at Monument HQ	07/27	1	90	13	3.5	<5	12	3	4	<5	76	0.3	0.1	0.30	<.01	176	2	47	8.31	147
Frijoles at Monument HQ	07/27	R1		13	3.3	<4	11											46		
Frijoles at Rio Grande	09/13	1	60	9	3.0	2.6	9	6	6	<5	48	0.2	<.02	0.05	<.01	162	<1	35	7.68	115
<b>Water Quality Standards<sup>g</sup></b> EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard									500			4		10	0.2					
EPA Secondary Drinking Water Standard								250	250			2				500			6.8–8.5	
NMWQCC Groundwater Limit								250	600			1.6		10	0.2	1,000			6–9	

<sup>a</sup>Except where noted.  
<sup>b</sup>Codes: d—field duplicate; 1—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate; D1—lab duplicate.  
<sup>c</sup>Total dissolved solids.  
<sup>d</sup>Total suspended solids.  
<sup>e</sup>Standard units.  
<sup>f</sup>Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified limit of detection of the analytical method.  
<sup>g</sup>Standards given here for comparison only; see Appendix A.

**Table 5-13. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Surface Waters for 1995 (µg/L)**

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	Ag	Al	As	B	Ba	Be	Cd	Co	Cr	Cu	Fe	Hg
Regional Stations														
Rio Chama at Chamita	05/09	1	<1 <sup>b</sup>	1,730	<2	<10	80	<2	<1	<2	2	<2	1,160	<.2
Rio Grande at Embudo	05/09	1	<1	2,890	<2	20	60	3	<1	<2	3	<2	2,710	<.2
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	05/09	1	<1	3,140	<2	10	90	4	<1	<2	3	3	2,620	<.2
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	09/15	1	<10	3,400	3	50	99	<1	<3	<4	4	<4	1,800	<.2
Rio Grande at Otowi (wdth intgrt)	09/15	1	<10	4,000	4	40	100	<1	<3	<4	<4	8	2,100	<.2
Rio Grande at Otowi (wdth intgrt)	09/15	R1	<10	5,300	3	50	110	<1	<3	<4	4	8	2,700	<.2
Rio Grande at Frijoles (bank)	09/13	1	<10	11,000	5	35	160	<3	3	7	14	36	4,600	<.2
Rio Grande at Frijoles (wdth intgrt)	09/13	1	<10	9,100	5	40	150	<3	<3	<7	7	9	4,000	<.2
Rio Grande at Cochiti	05/11	1	<1	2,580	2	10	70	<2	<1	<2	3	<2	1,620	<.2
Rio Grande at Bernalillo	05/11	1	<1	2,490	8	40	80	<2	<1	<2	3	2	1,720	<.2
Jemez River	05/11	1	<1	1,890	18	120	60	4	<1	<2	2	<2	1,060	<.2
Pajarito Plateau														
Guaje Canyon:														
Guaje Canyon	06/06	1	<.5	2,280	2	<10	30	<2	<2	<2	<2	4	1,230	<.2
Pueblo Canyon:														
Acid Weir	07/28	1	<10	1,300	2	<40	26	<3	<3	<4	<4	<4	660	<.2
Pueblo 1	07/28	1	<10	3,200	4	25	29	<3	<3	<4	7	<4	1,800	<.2
Pueblo 2		Dry-No Sample												
Pueblo 3		Dry-No Sample												
Pueblo at SR-502		Runoff Sample-Only Radiological Data Available												
DP/Los Alamos Canyon:														
Los Alamos Canyon Reservoir	06/02	1	<.5	1,530	<2	<10	20	<2	<2	<2	<2	11	700	<.2
DPS-1	06/21	1	<10	100	<3	35	110	<3	<3	<4	<4	<10	130	<.2
DPS-4	06/21	1	<10	880	<3	48	66	<3	<3	<4	<4	<10	430	<.2
Los Alamos at Rio Grande		Runoff Sample-Only Radiological Data Available												
Sandia Canyon:														
SCS-1	06/07	1	63	130	4	48	24	<3	<4	<4	<6	5	120	<.2
SCS-2	06/07	1	66	950	9	47	35	<3	<4	<5	17	11	780	<.2
SCS-2	06/07	R1												<.2
SCS-3	06/07	1	67	750	4	58	32	<3	<3	<4	18	17	630	<.2

Table 5-13. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Surface Waters for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	Ag	Al	As	B	Ba	Be	Cd	Co	Cr	Cu	Fe	Hg
<b>Mortandad Canyon:</b>														
Mortandad at GS-1	07/28	1	<10	<100	4	60	43	<3	<3	<4	<4	26	160	<.2
Mortandad at Rio Grande	09/11	1	<10	790	5	340	84	<3	<3	<7	<4	15	440	<.2
<b>Cañada del Buey:</b>														
Cañada del Buey	06/05	1	<10	35,000	4	60	160	1	<3	<4	27	39	18,000	0.4
Cañada del Buey	06/05	R1												0.3
<b>Pajarito Canyon:</b>														
Pajarito Canyon	07/27	1	<10	3,800	9	29	180	<3	<5	14	<4	7	18,000	<.2
Pajarito at Rio Grande	09/11	1	<10	310	2	24	41	<3	<3	<7	9	<4	180	<.2
<b>Water Canyon:</b>														
Water Canyon at Beta	08/04	1	<10	600	2	30	520	1	<3	<4	<4	<4	400	<.2
<b>Ancho Canyon:</b>														
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	1	<10	270	3	20	32	<3	<3	<7	7	6	210	<.2
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	R1	<10	440	3	15	32	<3	<3	<7	4	4	230	<.2
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	d 1	<10	140	2	<10	28	<3	4	<7	7	<4	120	<.2
<b>Frijoles Canyon:</b>														
Frijoles at Monument HQ	06/02	1	<.5	1,230	<2	<10	20	<2	<2	<2	<2	13	730	<.2
Frijoles at Monument HQ	07/27	1	<10	<100	2	17	28	<3	<5	<4	6	<4	<100	<.2
Frijoles at Monument HQ	07/27	R1	<10	<100	2	12	27	<3	<5	<4	<5	<4	<100	
Frijoles at Rio Grande	09/13	1	<10	150	<2	<10	18	<3	3	<7	4	<4	180	<.2
<b>Water Quality Standards<sup>c</sup></b>														
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard					50		2,000	4	5		100			2
EPA Secondary Drinking Water Standard			100	50-1200								1,000	300	
EPA Action Level												1,300		
NM Wildlife Habitat Standards														0.012
NMWQCC Livestock Watering Standards				5,000	200	5,000			50	1,000	1,000	500		10
NMWQCC Groundwater Limit			50	5,000	100	750	1,000		10	50	50	1,000	1,000	2



**Table 5-13. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Surface Waters for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	Mn	Mo	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Sn	Sr	Tl	V	Zn
Regional Stations													
Rio Chama at Chamita	05/09	1	40	2	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	280	<2	<2	<10
Rio Grande at Embudo	05/09	1	190	3	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	180	<2	6	20
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	05/09	1	130	2	2	<2	<2	<2	<2	260	<2	8	20
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	09/15	1	120	<8	<10	2	<2	<2	<30	310	<2	7	20
Rio Grande at Otowi (wdth intgrt)	09/15	1	130	8	<10	5	<2	<2	<30	310	<2	7	20
Rio Grande at Otowi (wdth intgrt)	09/15	R1	130	<8	<10	5	<2	<2	<30	310	<2	8	30
Rio Grande at Frijoles (bank)	09/13	1	180	<8	<10	6	<2	<1	<30	360	<2	27	31
Rio Grande at Frijoles (wdth intgrt)	09/13	1	170	<8	<10	19	<2	<1	<30	350	<2	11	26
Rio Grande at Cochiti	05/11	1	80	2	2	<2	<2	<2	<2	240	<2	<2	20
Rio Grande at Bernalillo	05/11	1	80	2	2	<2	<2	<2	<2	260	<2	2	<10
Jemez River	05/11	1	40	<2	2	<2	<2	<2	<2	100	<2	2	10
Pajarito Plateau													
Guaje Canyon:													
Guaje Canyon	06/06	1	20	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	<5	70	<2	3	<10
Pueblo Canyon:													
Acid Weir	07/28	1	4	<8	<10	<30	<2	<1	<30	51	<2	<10	<20
Pueblo 1	07/28	1	66	<8	<10	<80	<2	<1	<30	69	<2	<10	29
Pueblo 2		Dry-No Sample											
Pueblo 3		Dry-No Sample											
Pueblo at SR-502		Runoff Sample-Only Radiological Data Available											
DP/Los Alamos Canyon:													
Los Alamos Canyon Reservoir	06/02	1	<10	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	<5	50	<2	<2	<10
DPS-1	06/21	1	520	<20	<20	4	<2	<1	<30	160	<2	<4	27
DPS-4	06/21	1	4	<15	<20	<2	<2	<1	<30	100	<2	<4	<20
Los Alamos at Rio Grande		Runoff Sample-Only Radiological Data Available											
Sandia Canyon:													
SCS-1	06/07	1	<3	270	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	79	<2	20	130
SCS-2	06/07	1	12	230	<10	2	<2	2	<30	110	<2	21	82
SCS-2	06/07	R1											
SCS-3	06/07	1	12	220	<10	2	<2	<2	<30	110	<2	18	54

**Table 5-13. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Surface Waters for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	Mn	Mo	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Sn	Sr	Tl	V	Zn
<b>Mortandad Canyon:</b>													
Mortandad at GS-1	07/28	1	30	330	<10	<30	<2	<1	<30	110	<2	<4	39
Mortandad at Rio Grande	09/11	1	30	<8	<10	<2	<2	<1	45	130	<2	11	25
<b>Cañada del Buey:</b>													
Cañada del Buey	06/05	1	170	500	<10	13	<2	<2	40	72	<2	37	120
Cañada del Buey	06/05	R1											
<b>Pajarito Canyon:</b>													
Pajarito Canyon	07/27	1	2,100	<8	<10	<30	<2	<1	<30	110	<2	<4	<20
Pajarito at Rio Grande	09/11	1	<20	<8	<10	<2	<2	<1	63	120	<2	<4	<20
<b>Water Canyon:</b>													
Water Canyon at Beta	08/04	1	29	<8	10	2	<2	<1	30	120	<2	<4	20
<b>Ancho Canyon:</b>													
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	1	32	10	<10	<2	<2	<2	38	71	<2	8	24
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	R1	<20	8	20	<2	<2	<2	<30	69	<2	7	<20
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12 <sup>d</sup>	1	<20	16	<10	<2	<2	1	<30	65	<2	11	<20
<b>Frijoles Canyon:</b>													
Frijoles at Monument HQ	06/02	1	20	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	<5	50	<2	<2	<10
Frijoles at Monument HQ	07/27	1	<3	<8	<10	<40	<2	<1	<3	60	<2	13	42
Frijoles at Monument HQ	07/27	R1	<3	<20	<10	<40	<2	<1	<3	57	<2	14	39
Frijoles at Rio Grande	09/13	1	<20	13	<10	<2	<2	<1	<30	59	<2	11	<20
<b>Water Quality Standards<sup>c</sup></b>													
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard					100		6	50			2		
EPA Secondary Drinking Water Standard			50										5,000
EPA Action Level						15							
NM Wildlife Habitat Standards								2					
NMWQCC Livestock Watering Standards						100		50			100	25,000	
NMWQCC Groundwater Limit			200	1,000	200	50		50					1,000

<sup>a</sup>Codes: d—field duplicate; 1—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate; D1—lab duplicate.<sup>b</sup>Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified limit of detection of the analytical method.<sup>c</sup>Standards given here for comparison only, see Appendix A. Note that New Mexico Livestock and Groundwater limits (except mercury) are based on dissolved concentrations, while these analyses are of unfiltered samples—thus, concentrations may include metals associated with the suspended sediments.

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**Table 5-14. Number of Results Above the Analytical Limit of Quantitation for Organic Compounds in Surface Waters in 1995**

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	Volatile	Semivolatile	PCB	High Explosives
Number of Compounds Analyzed			59	69	4	14
Acid Weir	7/28		0	0	0	
DPS-1	6/21		0	0	0	
Los Alamos Canyon Reservoir	6/2		0	0	0	
SCS-2	6/7		0	0	0	
Cañada del Buey	6/5		0	0	0	
Pajarito Canyon	7/27		0	0	0	
Pajarito at Rio Grande	9/11		0	0	0	
Water Canyon at Beta	8/4		0	0	0	
Ancho at Rio Grande	9/12		1	0	0	0
Ancho at Rio Grande	9/12	d	0	0	0	0
Frijoles at Bandelier National Monument HQ	6/2		0	0	0	
Frijoles at Rio Grande	9/13		1	0	0	

<sup>a</sup>Codes: d—field duplicate.

**Table 5-15. Organics Found in Surface Waters in 1995 above the Limit of Quantitation**

Station Name	Date	Analyte	Sample Value (µg/L)	Uncertainty (µg/L)	Limit of Quantitation (µg/L)	Analyte <sup>a</sup> Suite	CST-12 Comments
Ancho at Rio Grande	9/12	Acetone	25	7.5	20	voa	found in method blank
Frijoles at Rio Grande	9/13	Acetone	25	7.5	20	voa	found in method blank
Trip Blank	9/13	Acetone	20	9.3	31	voa	found in method blank

<sup>a</sup>volatile organics.

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Table 5-16. Radiochemical Analyses of Groundwater for 1995 (pCi/L<sup>a</sup>)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	<sup>3</sup> H	<sup>90</sup> Sr	<sup>137</sup> Cs	U (μg/L)	<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>239,240</sup> Pu	<sup>241</sup> Am	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	Gross Gamma
<b>Main Aquifer</b>												
<b>Test Wells:</b>												
Test Well 1	06/19	1	-100 ± 300 <sup>c</sup>	-5 ± 1	<.97 <sup>d</sup>	2.1 ± .5	.041 ± .014	.026 ± .012	.034 ± .021	-3 ± 1.1	4.7 ± .7	110 ± 50
Test Well 1	06/19	R1	0 ± 400									
Test Well 2	08/01	1	100 ± 300	-2 ± 1.9	.45 ± .25	.19 ± .03	.043 ± .023	-.007 ± .018	.032 ± .015	-1 ± .7	4 ± .6	-20 ± 50
Test Well 3	07/18	1	0 ± 300	.4 ± .8	.31 ± .47	.41 ± .04	.003 ± .019	.002 ± .013	.009 ± .017	-1 ± .4	2 ± .5	-40 ± 40
Test Well 4	07/19	1	400 ± 300	.7 ± .7	1.1 ± .59	.8 ± .08	.001 ± .009	.01 ± .013	.007 ± .014	.5 ± .7	2 ± .4	30 ± 40
Test Well 8	07/17	1	-100 ± 300	.3 ± .8	.63 ± .96	.04 ± .01	-.001 ± .014	-.007 ± .016	.033 ± .019	.2 ± .5	1.3 ± .3	30 ± 40
Test Well DT-5A	11/13	uf	100 ± 300	1.7 ± 1.1	.24 ± .37	.45 ± .05	-.007 ± .004	.025 ± .012	.05 ± .05	.4 ± .4	2 ± .3	80 ± 50
Test Well DT-5A	11/13	f	-200 ± 300	.5 ± 1.3	.48 ± .71	.4 ± .07	-.002 ± .006	.016 ± .013	.028 ± .016	.5 ± .4	2 ± .3	70 ± 50
Test Well DT-9	05/31	1	500 ± 300	.4 ± .8	<1.22	.41 ± .04	0 ± .005	.01 ± .012	.017 ± .013	-6 ± .5	1.3 ± .3	100 ± 50
Test Well DT-10	05/30	1	2,100 ± 400	.1 ± 1.1	1.69 ± .64	.58 ± .06	.003 ± .031	.061 ± .037	.032 ± .015	0 ± .4	1.11 ± .3	130 ± 50
Test Well DT-10	05/30	R1					.0053 ± .0143	.0266 ± .0166				
Test Well DT-10	12/21	1	400 ± 300	-5 ± 6.1	-.01 ± .8	.43 ± .04	.001 ± .004	.056 ± .015	.047 ± .013	2 ± .6	9 ± 1	30 ± 40
<b>Water Supply Wells:</b>												
PM-1	06/12	1	0 ± 500	4.6 ± 10.8	-.14 ± .8	2.09 ± .21	.009 ± .015	-.017 ± .009	.052 ± .03	.5 ± .9	4.3 ± .5	100 ± 40
PM-2	06/12	1	0 ± 500	0 ± .9	.08 ± .12	.15 ± .04	-.009 ± .01	.013 ± .011	.028 ± .017	-6 ± .6	2.4 ± .4	40 ± 40
PM-2	06/12	D1		-.1 ± .8		.14 ± .03						
PM-2	06/12	d	-200 ± 500	6.6 ± 18.2	.04 ± .08	.16 ± .04	-.013 ± .005	.024 ± .013	.029 ± .018	-1.4 ± .5	1.7 ± .3	70 ± 40
PM-3	06/12	1	-100 ± 500	-.1 ± .8	.67 ± 1	1 ± .12	-.005 ± .009	.023 ± .02	.064 ± .019	-5 ± .9	3.9 ± .5	110 ± 40
PM-4	06/12	1	-100 ± 500	.5 ± 1.1	.31 ± .47	.4 ± .06	.013 ± .022	.052 ± .025	.109 ± .028	-6 ± .6	3 ± .4	80 ± 40
PM-4	06/12	R1					.017 ± .006	.025 ± .006	.023 ± .009			
PM-5	06/12	1	0 ± 500	-.1 ± .8	.2 ± .3	.59 ± .1	-.02 ± .013	.012 ± .017	.067 ± .021	-1.3 ± .6	2.7 ± .4	120 ± 50
PM-5	06/12	R1								-5 ± .6	2.7 ± .4	
G-1	06/12	1	-300 ± 500	.2 ± .8	.08 ± .12	.97 ± .1	.007 ± .009	.011 ± .011	.099 ± .031	-6 ± .8	4.3 ± .5	80 ± 40
G-1A	06/12	1	100 ± 500	3.9 ± .7	-.01 ± .8	.49 ± .06	.008 ± .017	-.005 ± .011	.076 ± .027	-1.4 ± .7	2.9 ± .4	50 ± 40
G-1A	06/12	R1										50 ± 40
G-1A	06/12	d	0 ± 500	7.4 ± 3.5	.03 ± .04	.47 ± .05	-.005 ± .007	.028 ± .016	.096 ± .023	-4 ± .6	2.8 ± .4	60 ± 40
G-2	06/12	1	300 ± 500	-.2 ± .8	-.04 ± .8	.86 ± .09	.009 ± .008	.025 ± .013	.077 ± .022	-4 ± .8	2.7 ± .4	80 ± 40
G-6	06/12	1	-100 ± 500	1.1 ± 3.7	.2 ± .3	.54 ± .08	-.005 ± .002	.008 ± .009	.049 ± .017	-4 ± .6	2 ± .4	30 ± 40

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Table 5-16. Radiochemical Analyses of Groundwater for 1995 (pCi/L<sup>a</sup>) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	<sup>3</sup> H	<sup>90</sup> Sr	<sup>137</sup> Cs	U (μg/L)	<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>239,240</sup> Pu	<sup>241</sup> Am	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	Gross Gamma
<b>Main Aquifer Springs</b>												
<b>White Rock Canyon Group I:</b>												
Sandia Spring	09/11	1	300 ± 300	2.9 ± .9	.6 ± .3	7.62 ± .99	.026 ± .027	.01 ± .018	-.048 ± .187	15 ± 4	17 ± 2	90 ± 50
Spring 3	09/11	1	300 ± 300	-.1 ± 1	.58 ± .87	1.75 ± .18	.044 ± .018	.038 ± .017	.027 ± .02	1 ± .7	3.1 ± .6	50 ± 50
Spring 3AA	09/11	1	300 ± 300	1 ± 1	.01 ± .8	1.23 ± .13	.004 ± .011	-.003 ± .015	.069 ± .02	.9 ± .6	3 ± .6	60 ± 50
Spring 4A	09/11	1	300 ± 300	.7 ± .9	.79 ± 1.19	1.02 ± .13	-.026 ± .01	.011 ± .016	.044 ± .017	-4 ± .6	3 ± .4	50 ± 50
Spring 4A	09/11	D1			-1.1 ± .8							
Spring 4A	09/11	R1								.3 ± .6	2 ± .5	
Spring 4A	09/11	d	0 ± 300	0 ± .9	-.04 ± .8	.96 ± .1	.005 ± .008	.02 ± .013	.014 ± .014	0 ± .5	2 ± .3	60 ± 50
Spring 5	09/12	1	0 ± 300	.5 ± .7	2.18 ± .73	2.44 ± .24	.022 ± .016	.004 ± .013	.071 ± .02	3 ± 1	8 ± .9	60 ± 50
Ancho Spring	09/12	1	-100 ± 300	.1 ± .9	-.3 ± .8	.5 ± .05	-.015 ± .004	.014 ± .018	.015 ± .014	.1 ± .6	3 ± .5	10 ± 40
<b>White Rock Canyon Group II:</b>												
Spring 5B	09/12	1	-300 ± 300	.2 ± 1	-1.6 ± .8	1.02 ± .1	-.004 ± .011	-.004 ± .01	.01 ± .013	1 ± .7	3 ± .5	60 ± 50
Spring 6A	09/12	1	100 ± 300	-.7 ± 1.1	-.42 ± .8	.31 ± .05	-.004 ± .013	-.002 ± .009	.031 ± .013	-4 ± .4	2 ± .3	20 ± 40
Spring 7	09/12	1	300 ± 300	0 ± .9	.22 ± .33	.58 ± .08	-.006 ± .003	.01 ± .011	.074 ± .022	-2 ± .5	3 ± .5	80 ± 50
Spring 8B	09/12	1	800 ± 300	.1 ± .8	.39 ± .21	.12 ± .01	-.01 ± .014	.002 ± .013	.024 ± .017	-2 ± .5	2 ± .5	40 ± 50
Spring 8B	09/12	D1				.11 ± .02						
Spring 9	09/12	1	100 ± 300	0 ± .8	.3 ± .45	1.1 ± .11	-.006 ± .015	.002 ± .014	.02 ± .016	1 ± .6	2 ± .5	50 ± 50
Spring 9	09/12	R1					.026 ± .015	.02 ± .013				0 ± 40
Spring 9B	09/12	1	300 ± 300	5.1 ± .7	.09 ± .14	.49 ± .06	.016 ± .009	.017 ± .01	.041 ± .015	-1 ± .5	2 ± .3	100 ± 50
<b>White Rock Canyon Blanks:</b>												
Trip Blank	09/13	1	200 ± 300	.4 ± .8	-.08 ± .8	0 ± .01	-.006 ± .008	0 ± .008	.024 ± .015	0 ± .2	6 ± .7	40 ± 50
Trip Blank	09/13	D1		.2 ± .9								
Trip Blank	09/13	1	-200 ± 300	.1 ± 1	1.78 ± 2.67	0 ± .01	-.011 ± .007	.028 ± .016		-2 ± .3	-2 ± .2	90 ± 50
<b>White Rock Canyon Group III:</b>												
Spring 1	06/05	1	-100 ± 300	-.1 ± .9	<.47	2.33 ± .23	-.012 ± .008	.012 ± .012	.024 ± .016	.2 ± .6	2 ± .4	50 ± 40
Spring 2	06/05	1	0 ± 300	.1 ± .8	<.61	2.8 ± .36	-.01 ± .009	.003 ± .006	.013 ± .02	1.2 ± .8	3.1 ± .5	100 ± 50
<b>White Rock Canyon Group IV:</b>												
La Mesita Spring	05/24	1	-100 ± 300	.5 ± .9	<.78	12.41 ± 1.2	.006 ± .011	.007 ± .007	.022 ± .013	17 ± 3.7	8 ± .8	70 ± 50

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Table 5-16. Radiochemical Analyses of Groundwater for 1995 (pCi/L<sup>a</sup>) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	<sup>3</sup> H	<sup>90</sup> Sr	<sup>137</sup> Cs	U (μg/L)	<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>239,240</sup> Pu	<sup>241</sup> Am	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	Gross Gamma
<b>Other Springs:</b>												
Sacred Spring	05/24	1	3,800 ± 600	0 ± 1	<86	1.2 ± .12	-.003 ± .009	.01 ± .012	.057 ± .017	1 ± .8	2.6 ± .4	20 ± 50
Indian Spring	05/25	1	-100 ± 300	2.1 ± 1.1	<48	2.2 ± .33	-.01 ± .007	.002 ± .008	.035 ± .017	2.2 ± 1	3.3 ± .4	60 ± 50
<b>Alluvial Canyon Groundwater Systems</b>												
<b>Acid/Pueblo Canyons:</b>												
APCO-1	06/23	uf 1	-200 ± 300	3.2 ± 2.7	6.6 ± 9.9	.39 ± .05	.02 ± .011	.105 ± .021	14 ± 21 <sup>e</sup>	2 ± 1	17 ± 1	180 ± 50
APCO-1	06/23	uf 2							.076 ± .02			
APCO-1	06/23	uf R1	1,200 ± 400									
<b>Cañada del Buey:</b>												
CDBO-6	08/14	1	200 ± 300	1.1 ± 1.1	-37 ± .8	2.29 ± .23	.002 ± .008	.003 ± .012	.026 ± .042	3 ± 1	7 ± .8	-20 ± 50
CDBO-7	08/14	1	500 ± 300	.3 ± 1.3	-23 ± .8	3.13 ± .31	-.027 ± .009	.014 ± .018	.019 ± .037	12 ± 2	21 ± 2	40 ± 50
<b>DP/Los Alamos Canyons:</b>												
LAO-C	06/21	1	300 ± 300	1.2 ± 1.2	-.02 ± .09	.08 ± .02	-.005 ± .006	.011 ± .014	.056 ± .019	.4 ± .1	3.5 ± .5	40 ± 40
LAO-C	06/21	D1				.09 ± .01						
LAO-0.7	06/21	1	0 ± 300	-4 ± 1.1	.51 ± .77	15.42 ± 1.5	.152 ± .03	.904 ± .082	.1 ± .05	74.1 ± 12	53.5 ± 5.5	80 ± 40
LAO-1	06/21	1	-200 ± 300	6 ± .9	-.26 ± .09	.23 ± .03	.007 ± .011	.004 ± .014	.054 ± .018	2.1 ± .9	14.5 ± 1.2	70 ± 40
LAO-1	06/21	R1					.012 ± .006	.044 ± .009	.094 ± .026			
LAO-2	06/21	1	0 ± 300	24.7 ± 1.7	1.56 ± 2.3	.15 ± .02	.043 ± .017	.054 ± .018	.056 ± .02	-1.2 ± 1.2	53.5 ± 5.5	50 ± 40
LAO-2	06/21	R1										40 ± 40
LAO-3	06/23	uf 1	0 ± 300	27.1 ± 4.8	14 ± 21	.16 ± .02	.009 ± .01	.025 ± .014	-26 ± 39 <sup>e</sup>	0 ± 2	88 ± 9	130 ± 50
LAO-3	06/23	uf 2							.012 ± .01			
LAO-4.	12/21		400 ± 300	-5 ± 6.1	-.01 ± .8	.43 ± .04	.001 ± .004	.056 ± .015	.047 ± .013	2 ± .6	9 ± 1	30 ± 40
LAO-4.5	06/29	uf 1	100 ± 300	1.4 ± 1.3	1.3 ± 1.8	.17 ± .02	.006 ± .014	.058 ± .019	-28 ± 45 <sup>e</sup>	2 ± 1	8 ± .9	40 ± 40
LAO-4.5	06/29	uf 2										
LAO-4.5	06/29	uf R1					-.0047 ± .0037	-.0039 ± .0045	.041 ± .012			
<b>Mortandad Canyon:</b>												
MCO-4B	06/27	uf 1	16,700 ± 1,200	42.4 ± 2.8	1.4 ± 2.2	1.59 ± .16	.022 ± .018	.075 ± .023	66 ± 21 <sup>e</sup>	12 ± 6	156 ± 11	210 ± 50
MCO-4B	06/27	uf 1							.38 ± .09			
MCO-5	08/01	1	17,100 ± 1,300	29.6 ± 1.9	-.4 ± .8	1.44 ± .14	.065 ± .023	.118 ± .029	.432 ± .056	11 ± 4	123 ± 11	210 ± 50
MCO-6	06/27	ufd 1	20,200 ± 1,400	31.5 ± 1.9	-2.6 ± 18	1.83 ± .18	.042 ± .016	.026 ± .016	-30 ± 40 <sup>e</sup>	6 ± 5	123 ± 11	120 ± 50
MCO-6	06/27	ufd 2							.23 ± .037			
MCO-6	06/27	uf 1	19,500 ± 1,300	23.3 ± 1.4	-3.2 ± 4.8	1.84 ± .18	.044 ± .016	.031 ± .017	-26 ± 39 <sup>e</sup>	12 ± 5	123 ± 11	130 ± 50

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Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	<sup>3</sup> H	<sup>90</sup> Sr	<sup>137</sup> Cs	U (μg/L)	<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>239,240</sup> Pu	<sup>241</sup> Am	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	Gross Gamma
<b>Mortandad Canyon (Cont.):</b>												
MCO-6	06/27	uf 1							.303 ± .04			
MCO-7	08/10	uf 1	19,200 ± 1,300	.9 ± .9	.55 ± .83	2.4 ± .24	.019 ± .011	.026 ± .014	.208 ± .034	9 ± 4	58 ± 6	-60 ± 50
MCO-7	08/10	uf R1	19,300 ± 600									
MCO-7.5	08/01	1	19,800 ± 1,400	.1 ± .8	.84 ± 1.26	1.48 ± .15	.008 ± .01	.023 ± .016	.226 ± .036	9 ± 2	41 ± 4	140 ± 50
<b>Pajarito Canyon:</b>												
PCO-1	05/20	1	-200 ± 300	.2 ± .7	<.71	.08 ± .01	-.012 ± .004	.01 ± .009	.063 ± .019	-1.4 ± .6	4.5 ± .5	60 ± 40
PCO-2	05/20	1	-100 ± 300	.4 ± .7	<1.09	.1 ± .01	-.003 ± .001	.016 ± .01	.038 ± .02	0 ± .8	11.1 ± 1	40 ± 40
PCO-3	05/20	1	-100 ± 300	.7 ± .7	<.91	.45 ± .05	.002 ± .008	.025 ± .013	.06 ± .024	-2.4 ± 2	2.7 ± .5	40 ± 40
<b>Intermediate Perched Groundwater Systems</b>												
<b>Pueblo/Los Alamos Area Perched System in Conglomerates and Basalt:</b>												
Test Well 1A	06/19	1	500 ± 400	.6 ± .8	<.47	.36 ± .05	.008 ± .014	.024 ± .016	.062 ± .019	-2.5 ± 1.2	8 ± .9	150 ± 50
Test Well 2A	08/01	1	2,100 ± 400	-.1 ± 2.1	.4 ± .6	.56 ± .07	.004 ± .017	.036 ± .021	.065 ± .02	-2 ± 1	3 ± .5	-30 ± 50
Basalt Spring	05/25	1	600 ± 300	.5 ± .8	1.21 ± .52	.72 ± .07	-.002 ± .006	.037 ± .017	-.004 ± .009	-1 ± .7	7.9 ± .8	50 ± 50
Basalt Spring	05/25	R1	800 ± 400									
<b>Perched Groundwater System in Volcanics:</b>												
Water Canyon Gallery	07/27	1	0 ± 300	.1 ± .7	.22 ± .33	.1 ± .01	.007 ± .013	.022 ± .014	.003 ± .014	1 ± .5	5 ± .7	30 ± 40
<b>Detection Limits</b>												
<b>Water Quality Standards<sup>f</sup></b>												
DOE DCG for Public Dose			2,000,000	1,000	3,000	800	40	30	30	30	1,000	
DOE Drinking Water System DCG			80,000	40	120	30	1.6	1.2	1.2	1.2	40	
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard			20,000	8		20				15		
EPA Screening Level											50	
NMWWCC Groundwater Limit						5,000						

<sup>a</sup>Except where noted.<sup>b</sup>Codes: uf—unfiltered; f—filtered; d—field duplicate; 1—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate; D1—lab duplicate.<sup>c</sup>Radioactivity counting uncertainties (1 standard deviation, except <sup>3</sup>H—3 standard deviations) follow the ± sign. Radioactivity counting uncertainties are less than analytical method uncertainties. Values less than two standard deviations are considered a nondetection.<sup>d</sup>Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified detection limit for the analytical method.<sup>e</sup>Result from <sup>241</sup>Am G method (direct counting GeLi detector). Other <sup>241</sup>Am measurements by the RAS (radiochemistry alpha spectroscopy) method.<sup>f</sup>Standards given here for comparison only; see Appendix A.

Table 5-17. Chemical Quality of Groundwater for 1995 (mg/L<sup>a</sup>)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	SiO <sub>2</sub>	Ca	Mg	K	Na	Cl	SO <sub>4</sub>	CO <sub>3</sub> Alkalinity	Total Alkalinity	F	PO <sub>4</sub> -P	NO <sub>3</sub> -N	CN	TDS <sup>c</sup>	TSS <sup>d</sup>	Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	pH <sup>e</sup>	Conductance (μS/cm)
<b>Main Aquifer</b>																				
<b>Test Wells:</b>																				
Test Well 1	06/19	1	48	40	8	2.8	15	31	21	<5 <sup>f</sup>	106	.39	.03	12.9	<.01	294	<1	132	8.26	346
Test Well 1	06/19	R1	48	40	8.1	2.9	15			<5	99							130		
Test Well 2	08/01	1	22	9.1	2.6	2.1	21	2.7	2.9	<5	72	.39	.1	<.04	<.01	1876	7	33	8.03	137
Test Well 3	07/18	1		12	3.5	1.9	10						.02	<.04	<.01					
Test Well 4	07/19	1	38	9.3	4.9	2.3	8.6	2.6	2.7	<5	72	.21	.09	.36	<.01	120	1	43	8.08	143
Test Well 4	07/19	R1										.21								
Test Well 8	07/17	1	67	12	4.3	1.5	10	2.5	2.9	<5	69	.17	<.02	.25	<.01	148	<1	47	8.03	136
Test Well 8	07/17	R1		12	4.3	1.4	10											47		
Test Well DT-5A	11/13	uf 1	79	8.1	2.4	<2	9.9	3	3	<5	54	.23	.05	.42	<.01	18	<1	29	7.91	112
Test Well DT-5A	11/13	uf R1		8.1	2.4	1.4	9.9											29		
Test Well DT-5A	11/13	f 1	78	8.7	2.6	1.6	11	3	3	<5	52	.24	<.02	.4	<.01	8	<1	32	7.89	112
Test Well DT-5A	11/13	f R1									50									
Test Well DT-9	05/31	1	67.0	10	3.07	.88	9.77	1.43	1.41	0	54.8	.25	.016	.35	<.01	188.4	<1	37.6	7.27	119
Test Well DT-10	12/21	1	42	12	4.3	5.2	29	26.8	8.3	<5	62	.72	.17	.44	<.01	152	199	47.3	8.04	234
Test Well DT-10	12/21	R1		12	4.2	6.6	31							.48				46.9		
<b>Water Supply Wells:</b>																				
PM-1	06/12	1	87	26	6.4	3.6	17	6.2	5.8	<5	115	.25	<.02	1.4	<.01	206	<1	90	8.05	243
PM-2	06/12	1	98	10	3.4	3	12	2.9	3.5	<5	55	.26	<.02	.42	<.01	114	<1	39	8.02	119
PM-2	06/12	d 1	101	8	3.1	2.2	11	2.9	3.5	<5	53	.26	<.02	.49	<.01	112	<1	33	7.99	113
PM-2	07/14	1												.43		176	1			
PM-3	06/12	1	89	21	7.1	3	15	6.7	5.9	<5	107	.3	<.02	.59	<.01	190	<1	81	8.01	178
PM-3	06/12	R1	90																	
PM-3	07/14	1												.54		254	<1			
PM-4	06/12	1	91	11	4.1	3.1	14	3.1	3.7	<5	66	.28	<.02	.49	<.01	132	<1	44	7.94	138
PM-5	06/12	1	93	11	4.5	2	12	3.6	3.9	<5	67	.26	.02	.4	<.01	146	2	46	8.02	144



Table 5-17. Chemical Quality of Groundwater for 1995 (mg/L<sup>a</sup>) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	SiO <sub>2</sub>	Ca	Mg	K	Na	Cl	SO <sub>4</sub>	CO <sub>3</sub> Alkalinity	Total Alkalinity	F	PO <sub>4</sub> -P	NO <sub>3</sub> -N	CN	TDS <sup>c</sup>	TSS <sup>d</sup>	Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	pH <sup>e</sup>	Conductance (μS/cm)
<b>Water Supply Wells (Cont.):</b>																				
G-1	06/12	1	86	11	.51	2.2	22	3.9	5.4	<5	82	.83	<.02	9.9	<.01	180	<1	29	8.29	423
G-1A	06/12	1	76	9	.44	2.7	26	3.9	5.2	<5	78	.61	<.02	1	<.01	166	<1	24	8.28	175
G-1A	06/12	d 1	74	11	.49	3	28	3.9	5.2	<5	82	.61	<.02	1	<.01	218	<1	29	8.22	170
G-1A	07/14	1												.48		294	<1			
G-2	06/12	1	76	10	.53	2.9	31	3.5	5	<5	96	.81	<.02	3.1	<.01	164	<1	27	8.24	190
G-6	06/12	1	56	12	2	1.9	13	3.1	4.3	<5	73	.29	<.02	.49	<.01	90	<1	38	7.92	146
G-6	06/12	R1	56							<5	71	.29								
G-6	07/14	1												.54		162	<1			
<b>Main Aquifer Springs</b>																				
<b>White Rock Canyon Group I:</b>																				
Sandia Spring	09/11	1	46	51	16	6.4	8.4	5.82	8.55	<5	118	.51	5.1	<.04	<.01	226	<1	192.2	7.7	234
Sandia Spring	09/11	R1										.52								
Spring 3	09/11	1	50	22	2.1	3.6	16	6.21	7.73	<5	89	.43	<.02	1.23	<.01	210	<1	63	7.7	191
Spring 3AA	09/11	1	52	21	2	3.5	14	5.88	7.65	<5	77	.41	<.02	.71	<.01	180	<1	60	7.43	178
Spring 4A	09/11	1	69	19	4.5	2.5	12	6.72	7.96	<5	72	.44	<.02	.9	<.01	222	<1	65	8.08	175
Spring 4A	09/11	d 1	69	17	4.1	2.1	10	6.77	7.98	<5	76	.43	<.02	.89	<.01	238	<1	59	8.49	179
Spring 5	09/12	1	69	17	4.4	2.5	11	6.49	7.58	<5	70	.39	<.02	.69	<.01	198	<1	60	8.25	169
Ancho Spring	09/12	1	76	12	3	2.5	9.5	5.04	5.94	<5	58	.33	.02	.44	<.01	178	<1	42	7.85	133
<b>White Rock Canyon Group II:</b>																				
Spring 5B	09/12	1	63	17	4.1	2.5	12	6.27	8.2	<5	71	.44	<.02	1.99	<.01	208	<1	59	7.49	184
Spring 6A	09/12	1	76	10	2.8	2.1	9.2	5	5.79	<5	53	.29	<.02	.12	<.01	162	<1	36	7.39	122
Spring 6A	09/12	R1										.29								
Spring 7	09/12	1	77	12	3.1	3.2	12	4.98	6.79	<5	58	.3	<.02	.44	<.01	208	<1	42	6.83	136
Spring 8B	09/12	1	85	12	2.9	2.4	11	4.94	5.66	<5	60	.48	<.02	.48	<.01	224	<1	42	7.75	137
Spring 9	09/12	1	74	11	3.1	2.3	10	4.98	5.75	<5	60	.42	<.02	.3	<.01	188	<1	40	7.72	126
Spring 9B	09/12	1	74	9.4	3	2	9.8	5.06	5.76	<5	44	.45	<.02	.17	<.01	190	<1	36	7.28	127
<b>White Rock Canyon Blanks:</b>																				
Trip Blank	09/13	1	<10	<.4	.17	<.6	.18	<.5	<1	<5	<5	<.1	<.02	<.04	<.01	36	<1	<1	6.19	3
Trip Blank	09/13	R1		<.4	<.04	<.6	<.1											<1		
Trip Blank	09/13	1	<10	<.4	<.045	.67	<.1	<.5	4.54	<5	6	<.1	<.02	.15	<.01	22	<1	<1	6.19	3
Trip Blank	09/13	R1	<10							<5	<5			.14						
<b>White Rock Canyon Group III:</b>																				
Spring 1	06/05	1	31.4	15.9	1.48	2.13	29.5	2.8	6.94	0	99.1	.57	<.02	.36	<.01	241	2.4	45.8	7.88	216
Spring 2	06/05	1	30.4	14.8	1.26	1.79	40.2	2.73	5.71	0	116	.55	<.02	.17	<.01	274.7	17.8	42.1	8.12	243

Table 5-17. Chemical Quality of Groundwater for 1995 (mg/L<sup>a</sup>) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	SiO <sub>2</sub>	Ca	Mg	K	Na	Cl	SO <sub>4</sub>	CO <sub>3</sub> Alkalinity	Total Alkalinity	F	PO <sub>4</sub> -P	NO <sub>3</sub> -N	CN	TDS <sup>c</sup>	TSS <sup>d</sup>	Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	pH <sup>e</sup>	Conductance (μS/cm)
<b>White Rock Canyon Group IV:</b>																				
La Mesita Spring																				
	05/24	1	36.6	34.4	1.52	3.03	25.8	7.1	15.1	0	123	.22	<.02	1.29	.01	375.5	26.2	92.2	7.77	312
<b>Other Springs:</b>																				
Sacred Spring	05/24	1	27.6	24.4	.57	2.4	21.8	1.55	5.41	0	109	.5	<.02	.02	.06	259.3	1.3	63.3	6.98	230
Indian Spring	05/25	1	45.6	31.9	2.81	2.27	25.2	28.7	7.17	0	103	.42	<.02	.78	<.01	344.9	2.3	91.2	7.71	315
Three Mile Spring																				
	08/18	1	35	11	3.9	3.2	10	6.3	5.1	<5	57	.15	.04	<.04		152		43.2	6.56	140
Three Mile Spring																				
	08/18	R1								<5	57									
<b>Alluvial Canyon Groundwater Systems</b>																				
<b>Acid/Pueblo Canyons:</b>																				
APCO-1	06/23	uf 1		18.9	<3.89	14.4	64.4		10.1			.62	2.21	1.07	<.01					
APCO-1	06/23	uf D1		20	4	15.6	66.7													
<b>Cañada del Buey:</b>																				
CDBO-6	08/14	1	57	17	6.5	8.4	23	10	7.7	<5	70	.14	.38	17	.05	178	3	68.8	6.92	160
CDBO-6	08/14	R1		15	8.4	12	23					.13						71.6		
CDBO-7	08/14	1	67	21	11	19	24	8.9	6.7	<5	75	.15	.57	3.67	.06	196	4	97.2	6.97	176
CDBO-7	08/14	1												.23						
CDBO-7	08/14	R1	67																	
CDBO-7	08/14	R1												.31						
<b>DP/Los Alamos Canyons:</b>																				
LAO-C	06/21	1	35	10	2.5	2.5	17	21.4	5.2	<5	39	.12	.05	.04	<.01	632	<1	35	7.52	151
LAO-0.7	06/21	1	34	35	8.3	12	32	33	6.4	<5	41	.28	3.29	<.04	<.01	606	286	120	7.24	194
LAO-1	06/21	1	36	9.1	2.2	2.7	27	30.8	5.9	<5	46	.3	.09	<.04	<.01	180	5	32	7.41	189
LAO-1	06/21	R1	36																	
LAO-2	06/21	1	59	17	4.5	4.8	28	29.4	8.3	<5	76	.7	.14	.1	<.01	242	4	60	7.73	246
LAO-2	06/21	R1										.69								
LAO-3	06/23	uf 1		16.7	<3.67	8	34.4		8.2			.91	<3.8	.06	<.01					
LAO-4	12/21		42	12	4.3	5.2	29	26.8	8.3	<5	62	.72	.17	.44	<.01	152	199	47.3	8.04	234
LAO-4	12/21			12	4.2	6.6	31							.48				46.9		
LAO-4.5	06/29	uf 1		13.3	<3.89	5.89	30		6.7			.92	.12	.07	<.01					

**Table 5-17. Chemical Quality of Groundwater for 1995 (mg/L<sup>a</sup>) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	SiO <sub>2</sub>	Ca	Mg	K	Na	Cl	SO <sub>4</sub>	CO <sub>3</sub> Alkalinity	Total Alkalinity	F	PO <sub>4</sub> -P	NO <sub>3</sub> -N	CN	TDS <sup>c</sup>	TSS <sup>d</sup>	Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	pH <sup>e</sup>	Conductance (μS/cm)
<b>Mortandad Canyon:</b>																				
MCO-4B	06/27	uf 1		26.7	<2.67	20	70		16.6			1.49	.08	13.1	<.01					
MCO-4B	06/27	uf D1		26.7	2.7	18.9	71.1													
MCO-5	08/01	1	30	23	2.7	22	70	18	16	<5	163	1.5	.18	9.1	<.01	406	<1	68	7.27	496
MCO-5	08/01	2																68		
MCO-6	06/27	ufd 1		23.3	<2.67	23.3	85.6		18.8			1.88	.12	16.3	<.01					
MCO-6	06/27	uf 1		22.2	<2.56	22.2	83.3		18.8			1.86	.14	18.1	<.01					
MCO-7	08/10	uf 1	41	16	5.6	20	85	15	19	<5	160	1.88	.52	13.6	<.01	434	7	62.6	7.3	430
MCO-7	08/10	uf R1												13.3						
<b>Pajarito Canyon:</b>																				
PCO-1	05/20	1	35	12	3.7	3.1	19	24.7	8.3	<5	54	.14	.03	3.42	<.01	164	<1	45	7.54	
PCO-2	05/20	1	29	16	4.5	2.7	21	27.9	6.8	<5	70	.16	.02	7.6	<.01	160	<1	70.5	7.54	
PCO-3	05/20	1	46	56	11	1.7	55	54.5	3.3	<5	233	.44	.16	17.4	<.01	296	<1	183.3	7.06	
PCO-3	05/20	R1									229									
<b>Intermediate Perched Groundwater Systems</b>																				
<b>Pueblo/Los Alamos Canyon Perched System in Conglomerates and Basalt:</b>																				
Test Well 1A	06/19	1	48	22	6.9	5.8	46	38	18	<5	126	.59	1.15	7.7	<.01	268	<1	54	8.18	389
Test Well 2A	08/01	1	57	37	6.8	2.7	19	45	21	<5	85	.2	.1	2.16	<.01	276	<1	120	7.6	346
Basalt Spring	05/25	1	52.6	12	3.11	6.41	26.6	27.6	8.74	0	53.1	.37	1.86	1.35	<.01	253.1	3.7	42.8	6.73	250
<b>Perched Groundwater System in Volcanics:</b>																				
Water Canyon Gallery	07/27	1	45	6.8	3.3	2.3	5.1	1.5	2.9	<5	67	<.1	.04	.29	<.01	68	2	30	7.78	85
Water Canyon Gallery	07/27	R1	46																	
<b>Fenton Hill (TA-57):</b>																				
FH-1	06/13	1	66.5	72.9	9.6	6.32	23.9	43.6	10.5	0	217	<.02	<.02	.29	<.01	677.6	<1	222	7.57	560

Table 5-17. Chemical Quality of Groundwater for 1995 (mg/L<sup>a</sup>) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	SiO <sub>2</sub>	Ca	Mg	K	Na	Cl	SO <sub>4</sub>	CO <sub>3</sub> Alkalinity	Total Alkalinity	F	PO <sub>4</sub> -P	NO <sub>3</sub> -N	CN	TDS <sup>c</sup>	TSS <sup>d</sup>	Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	pH <sup>e</sup>	Conductance (μS/cm)
Water Quality Standards <sup>g</sup>																				
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard									500			4		10	0.2					
EPA Secondary Drinking Water Standard								250	250							500			6.8–8.5	
EPA Health Advisory							20													
NMWQCC Groundwater Limit								250	600			1.6		10	0.2	1,000			6–9	

<sup>a</sup> Except where noted.  
<sup>b</sup> Codes: uf—unfiltered; f—filtered; d—field duplicate; 1—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate; D1—lab duplicate.  
<sup>c</sup> Total dissolved solids.  
<sup>d</sup> Total suspended solids.  
<sup>e</sup> Standard units.  
<sup>f</sup> Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified limit of detection of the analytical method.  
<sup>g</sup> Standards given here for comparison only; see Appendix A.

**Table 5-18. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Groundwater for 1995 (µg/L)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Ag	Al	As	B	Ba	Be	Cd	Co	Cr	Cu	Fe	Hg
<b>Main Aquifer</b>														
<b>Test Wells:</b>														
Test Well 1	06/19	1	<10 <sup>b</sup>	<100	<2	60	70	<1	<3	<4	<4	<4	300	<.2
Test Well 1	06/19	R1	<10	<100	<2	60	71	<1	<3	<4	<4	<4	300	<.2
Test Well 2	08/01	1	<10	630	2	22	43	<3	<3	<4	12	<30	20,000	<.2
Test Well 3	07/18	1	<10	<100	3	36	29	<3	5	<4	7	10	10,000	<.2
Test Well 4	07/19	1	<10	100	<2	10	81	<1	<3	<4	15	64	9,200	<.2
Test Well 8	07/17	1	<10	<100	<3	17	6	<3	<.6	<4	<10	4	<100	<.2
Test Well 8	07/17	R1	<10	<100	<3	13	5	<3	<3	<4	7	<4	160	
Test Well DT-5A	11/13	uf 1	<10	<100	3	<20	22	<3	<4	<4	<4	<4	<100	<.2
Test Well DT-5A	11/13	uf R1	<10	<100	3	13	22	<3	<5	<4	<5	<4	<100	
Test Well DT-5A	11/13	f 1	<10	<100	3	16	25	<3	<4	<4	11	<4	<100	<.2
Test Well DT-9	05/31	1	<.5	60	4	<10	10	<2	<2	<2	<2	20	130	<.2
Test Well DT-10	12/21	1	<10	8,000	<2	30	61	<3	36	<4	6	11	2,900	<.2
Test Well DT-10	12/21	R1	<10	8,500	<2	<10	59	<3	6	<4	13	8	2,900	<.2
<b>Water Supply Wells:</b>														
PM-1	06/12	1	58	<100	<3	47	69	<3	<3	<4	<4	<4	<100	<.2
PM-2	06/12	1	48	<100	<3	<10	25	<3	<3	<4	6	6	<100	<.2
PM-2	06/12	d 1	<40	<100	<3	<10	23	<3	<3	<4	<20	12	<100	<.2
PM-3	06/12	1	<40	<100	<3	38	40	<3	<3	<4	6	4	<100	<.2
PM-4	06/12	1	49	<100	<3	<10	28	<3	<3	<4	8	<4	<100	<.2
PM-5	06/12	1	<40	<100	<3	<10	29	<3	<3	<4	8	<4	<100	<.2
G-1	06/12	1	<40	<100	13	38	51	<3	<3	<4	<4	<4	<100	<.2
G-1A	06/12	1	<40	<100	16	25	34	<3	<3	<4	<8	<4	<100	<.2
G-1A	06/12	d 1	53	<100	18	22	36	<3	<3	<4	<10	<4	<100	<.2
G-2	06/12	1	56	<100	48	35	63	<3	<4	<4	<10	<4	<100	<.2
G-6	06/12	1	<10	<100	3	<10	5	<3	<3	<4	<8	6	<100	<.2

Table 5-18. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Groundwater for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Ag	Al	As	B	Ba	Be	Cd	Co	Cr	Cu	Fe	Hg
<b>Main Aquifer Springs</b>														
<b>White Rock Canyon Group I:</b>														
Sandia Spring	09/11	1	<10	41,000	20	22	690	3	<3	19	13	250	18,000	<.2
Spring 3	09/11	1	<10	1,200	4	31	51	<3	<3	<7	6	<4	770	<.2
Spring 3AA	09/11	1	<10	510	4	22	56	<3	4	<7	7	6	760	<.2
Spring 4A	09/11	1	<10	<100	2	22	40	<3	3	<7	8	<4	<100	<.2
Spring 4A	09/11	d 1	<10	<100	2	15	37	<3	<3	<7	8	<4	<100	<.2
Spring 5	09/12	1	<10	<100	2	15	25	<3	5	<7	8	<4	<100	<.2
Ancho Spring	09/12	1	<10	820	2	<10	41	<3	<3	<7	7	<4	330	<.2
<b>White Rock Canyon Group II:</b>														
Spring 5B	09/12	1	<10	160	2	16	37	<3	4	<7	8	<4	180	<.2
Spring 6A	09/12	1	<10	370	2	18	28	<3	5	<7	5	<4	180	<.2
Spring 7	09/12	1	<10	330	2	12	30	<3	<3	<7	5	<4	190	<.2
Spring 8B	09/12	1	<10	300	3	<10	27	<3	5	<7	6	<4	150	<.2
Spring 9	09/12	1	<10	150	2	<10	21	<3	<3	<7	6	<4	<100	<.2
Spring 9B	09/12	1	<10	230	3	11	7	<3	<3	<7	8	<4	170	<.2
<b>White Rock Canyon Blanks:</b>														
Trip Blank	09/13	1	<10	210	<2	14	10	10	10	12	13	22	<100	<.2
Trip Blank	09/13	R1	<10	120	<2	<10	<4	<3	<3	<5	<4	<4	<100	<.2
Trip Blank	09/13	1	<10	<100	<2	<10	<4	<3	<3	<7	4	<4	<100	<.2
<b>White Rock Canyon Group III:</b>														
Spring 1	06/05	1	<.5	580	4	40	30	<2	<2	<2	8	9	400	<.2
Spring 2	06/05	1	<.5	170	9	40	30	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	80	<.2
<b>White Rock Canyon Group IV:</b>														
La Mesita Spring	05/24	1	.5	1,560	2	50	130	<2	<2	3	<2	8	1,820	<.2
<b>Other Springs:</b>														
Sacred Spring	05/24	1	<.5	190	5	40	110	2	17	3	3	<2	350	<.2
Indian Spring	05/25	1	<.5	100	3	30	90	13	<2	<2	<2	14	<10	<.2

Table 5-18. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Groundwater for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Ag	Al	As	B	Ba	Be	Cd	Co	Cr	Cu	Fe	Hg	
Alluvial Canyon Groundwater															
Acid/Pueblo Canyons:															
APCO-1	06/23	uf	1	<11.1	578	<9.3	278	<44.4	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<5.6	<4.4	300	<.2
APCO-1	06/23	uf	D1	<11.1	489	9.2	278	45.6	<3.3	<3.3	5.6	4.4	<4.4	267	
Cañada del Buey:															
CDBO-6	08/14		1	<10	36,000	11	90	400	3	<3	4	25	21	23,000	<.2
CDBO-6	08/14		R1	10	62,000	17	50	430	4	<3	6	38	24	37,000	
CDBO-7	08/14		1	<10	90,000	22	70	930	5	3	5	38	25	42,000	<.2
DP/Los Alamos Canyons:															
LAO-C	06/21		1	<10	2,900	<3	<30	44	<3	<3	<4	<4	<10	1,500	<.2
LAO-0.7	06/21		1	<10	70,000	13	31	2900	16	<3	32	30	51	36,000	.4
LAO-1	06/21		1	<10	5,200	<3	<30	35	<3	<4	<4	11	9	2,400	<.2
LAO-2	06/21		1	<10	370	<3	38	43	<3	<3	<4	<4	<10	210	<.2
LAO-3	06/23	uf	1	<11.1	356	<2.2	37.8	<51.1	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.4	<4.4	178	<.2
LAO-4	12/21			<10	8,000	<2	30	61	<3	36	<4	6	11	2,900	<0.2
LAO-4	12/21		R1	<10	8,500	<2	<10	59	<3	6	<4	13	8	2,900	<0.2
LAO-4.5	06/29	uf	1	<10	2,220	<2.2	30	<43.3	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.4	<4.4	1,110	<.2
Mortandad Canyon:															
MCO-4B	06/27	uf	1	<11.1	1,670	<2.2	46.7	<84.4	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<6.7	<4.4	800	<.2
MCO-4B	06/27	uf	D1	<11.1	1,444	<2.2	46.7	84.4	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.4	4.4	756	<.2
MCO-5	08/01		1	<10	380	6	54	78	<3	<4	<4	<4	<4	250	<.2
MCO-6	06/27	ufd	1	<11.1	389	<2.2	58.9	<84.4	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.4	<4.4	189	<.2
MCO-6	06/27	uf	1	<11.1	444	<2.2	58.9	<82.2	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<6.7	<4.4	200	<.2
MCO-7	08/10	uf	1	<10	13,000	7	80	240	1	<3	<4	9	19	6,700	<.2
MCO-7.5	08/01		1	11	1,000	<2	70	140	<3	<10	<10	<4	<4	550	<.2
Pajarito Canyon:															
PCO-1	05/20		1	<10	2,100	<2	30	80	<1	<3	<4	<4	<4	1,000	<.2
PCO-2	05/20		1	<10	500	<2	30	66	<1	<3	<4	<4	<4	300	<.2
PCO-3	05/20		1	<10	100	6	30	140	<1	<3	4	<4	<4	4,100	<.2

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Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Ag	Al	As	B	Ba	Be	Cd	Co	Cr	Cu	Fe	Hg
<b>Intermediate Perched Groundwater</b>														
<b>Pueblo/Los Alamos Canyon Perched Groundwater in Conglomerates and Basalt:</b>														
Test Well 1A	06/19	1	<10	<100	3	190	67	<1	<3	<4	<4	8	1,700	<.2
Test Well 2A	08/01	1	<10	<100	2	75	58	<3	7	<4	<4	<4	18,000	<.2
Basalt Spring	05/25	1	<.5	510	4	80	50	<2	<2	<2	<2	17	300	<.2
<b>Perched Groundwater in Volcanics:</b>														
Water Canyon Gallery	07/27	1	<10	110	<2	<10	13	<3	<5	<4	<4	<4	<100	<.2
<b>Fenton Hill (TA-57):</b>														
FH-1	06/13	1	<.5	160	<2	700	160	<2	<2	<2	<2	7	120	<.2
<b>Water Quality Standards<sup>c</sup></b>														
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard					50		2,000	4	5		100			2
EPA Secondary Drinking Water Standard				50–200									300	
EPA Action Level												1,300		
NMWQCC Livestock Watering Standards				5,000	200	5,000			50	1,000	1,000	500		10
NMWQCC Groundwater Limit			50	5,000	100	750	1,000		10	50	50	1,000	1,000	2

<sup>a</sup>Codes: uf—unfiltered; f—filtered; d—field duplicate; 1—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate; D1—lab duplicate.

<sup>b</sup>Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified limit of detection of the analytical method.

<sup>c</sup>Standards given here for comparison only, see Appendix A. Note that New Mexico Livestock and Groundwater limits (except for mercury) are based on dissolved concentrations, while many of these analyses are of unfiltered samples—thus concentrations may include suspended sediment quantities.



Table 5-18. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Groundwater for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Mn	Mo	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Sn	Sr	Tl	V	Zn
<b>Main Aquifer</b>													
<b>Test Wells:</b>													
Test Well 1	06/19	1	21	<8 <sup>b</sup>	<10	49	6	<1	<30	240	<2	<4	570
Test Well 1	06/19	R1	21	<8	<10	42	6	1	<30	240	<2	<4	620
Test Well 2	08/01	1	480	<8	<10	170	<2		<30	47	<2	<10	3,000
Test Well 3	07/18	1	75	<8	<10	24	<2	<2	<30	54	<1	<8	940
Test Well 4	07/19	1	100	<8	<10	150	<2	1	<30	54	<2	<4	4,600
Test Well 8	07/17	1	<3	<8	<10	4	<2	<2	<30	57	<1	<4	330
Test Well 8	07/17	R1	<3	<8	<10	4	<2	<2	<30	57	<1	<4	340
Test Well DT-5A	11/13	uf 1	<3	<8	<10	2	<2	<2	<33	46	<2	<4	230
Test Well DT-5A	11/13	uf R1	<3	<8	<10	2	<2	<2	<70	46	<2	<4	220
Test Well DT-5A	11/13	f 1	<3	<8	<10	2	<2	<2	61	50	<2	<10	210
Test Well DT-9	05/31	1	<10	<2	<2	11	<2	<2	<5	50	<2	6	230
Test Well DT-10	12/21	1	150	34	110	3	<2	<1	70	91	<2	<4	30
Test Well DT-10	12/21	R1	38	42	130	2	<2	<1	<30	89	2	<4	70
<b>Water Supply Wells:</b>													
PM-1	06/12	1	<3	<8	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	140	<2	10	<20
PM-2	06/12	1	<3	<10	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	50	<2	12	<20
PM-2	06/12	d 1	<3	<8	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	47	<2	11	<20
PM-3	06/12	1	<3	<8	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	120	<2	16	<20
PM-4	06/12	1	<3	<8	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	55	<2	10	46
PM-5	06/12	1	<3	<8	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	56	<2	22	<20
G-1	06/12	1	<3	<8	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	93	<2	39	<20
G-1A	06/12	1	<3	<8	<10	<2	<2	<2	<20	74	<2	45	<20
G-1A	06/12	d 1	<3	<8	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	77	<2	60	34
G-2	06/12	1	<3	<20	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	84	<2	91	<20
G-6	06/12	1	<3	<8	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	66	<2	27	<20

**Table 5-18. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Groundwater for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Mn	Mo	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Sn	Sr	Tl	V	Zn
<b>Main Aquifer Springs</b>													
<b>White Rock Canyon Group I:</b>													
Sandia Spring	09/11	1	1,400	<8	22	57	<2	6	<30	530	<2	90	69
Spring 3	09/11	1	45	<8	<10	<2	<2	1	42	250	<2	14	22
Spring 3AA	09/11	1	100	12	<10	2	<2	<1	<30	240	<2	24	<20
Spring 4A	09/11	1	<20	<8	<10	<2	<2	<1	35	98	<2	11	20
Spring 4A	09/11	d 1	<20	<8	<10	<2	<2	<1	<30	89	<2	11	<20
Spring 5	09/12	1	<20	<8	<10	<2	<2	<1	37	85	<2	11	<20
Ancho Spring	09/12	1	44	<8	<10	2	<2	<1	59	61	<2	7	<20
<b>White Rock Canyon Group II:</b>													
Spring 5B	09/12	1	<20	<8	<10	<2	<2	<1	54	98	<2	11	<20
Spring 6A	09/12	1	<20	15	11	<2	<2	<1	<300	51	<2	11	<20
Spring 7	09/12	1	<20	<8	<10	<2	<2	<1	<30	65	<2	11	<20
Spring 8B	09/12	1	<20	16	<10	<2	<2	1	38	57	<2	7	<20
Spring 9	09/12	1	<20	<8	<10	<2	<2	<1	48	54	<2	7	<20
Spring 9B	09/12	1	<20	<8	<10	<2	<2	<1	<30	51	<2	<4	<20
<b>White Rock Canyon Trip Blanks:</b>													
Trip Blank	09/13	1	9	14	<10	<2	<2	<1	<30	9	<2	<4	<20
Trip Blank	09/13	R1	<3	<8	<10	<2	<2	<1	<30	<3	<2	<4	23
Trip Blank	09/13	1	<20	<8	<10	<2	<2	1	<30	<3	<2	<4	<20
<b>White Rock Canyon Group III:</b>													
Spring 1	06/05	1	20	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	8	190	<2	20	<10
Spring 2	06/05	1	<10	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	<5	180	<2	19	<10
<b>White Rock Canyon Group IV:</b>													
La Mesita Spring	05/24	1	20	3	<2	2	<2	<2	<5	810	<2	7	30
<b>Other Springs:</b>													
Sacred Spring	05/24	1	20	3	13	<2	<2	<2	<5	500	<2	13	<10
Indian Spring	05/25	1	<10	<2	<2	2	<2	<2	<5	360	<2	11	150

Table 5-18. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Groundwater for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Mn	Mo	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Sn	Sr	Tl	V	Zn
<b>Alluvial Canyon Groundwater Systems</b>													
<b>Acid/Pueblo Canyon:</b>													
APCO-1	06/23	uf 1	678	<13.3	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	111	<2.2	<17.8	<22.2
APCO-1	06/23	uf D1	689	22.2	<11.1	2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	111	<2.2	18.9	<22.2
<b>Cañada del Buey:</b>													
CDBO-6	08/14	1	490	<8	10	54	<2	1	30	130	<2	40	150
CDBO-6	08/14	R1	650	<8	20	55	<2	4	<30	130	<2	60	200
CDBO-7	08/14	1	1,100	<8	30	62	<2	4	50	190	<2	63	230
<b>DP/Los Alamos Canyons:</b>													
LAO-C	06/21	1	40	<8	<10	<2	<2	<1	<30	70	<2	<4	22
LAO-0.7	06/21	1	13,000	30	<90	77	<2	<1	<3	400	<2	58	270
LAO-1	06/21	1	15	56	<10	<2	<2	<1	<30	69	<2	<4	<20
LAO-2	06/21	1	<3	1,000	<10	<2	<2	<1	<30	120	<2	<4	81
LAO-3	06/23	uf 1	<3.3	622	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	108	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
LAO-4	12/21		150	34	110	3	<2	<1	70	91	<2	<4	30
LAO-4	12/21		38	42	130	2	<2	<1	<30	89	2	<4	70
LAO-4.5	06/29	uf 1	23.3	<11.1	<11.1	<4.4	<2.2	<1.3	<33.3	80	<2.2	<5.6	<22.2
<b>Mortandad Canyon:</b>													
MCO-4B	06/27	uf 1	20	156	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	110	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
MCO-4B	06/27	uf D1	18.9	167	<11.1	2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	110	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
MCO-5	08/01	1	4	130	<10	<2	<2	2	<30	110	<2	<4	<20
MCO-6	06/27	ufd 1	<3.3	156	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	110	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
MCO-6	06/27	uf 1	<3.3	156	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	108	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
MCO-7	08/10	uf 1	150	150	10	10	<1	1	30	130	<1	16	40
MCO-7.5	08/01	1	16	40	<10	<2	3	1	<30	130	<2	<4	<20
<b>Pajarito Canyon:</b>													
PCO-1	05/20	1	11	<8	<10	<2	<2	<1	<30	98	<2	<4	<20
PCO-2	05/20	1	3	<8	<10	<2	2	<1	<30	120	<2	<4	<20
PCO-3	05/20	1	2,900	<8	<10	<2	2	1	<30	330	2	<4	20

**Table 5-18. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Groundwater for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Mn	Mo	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Sn	Sr	Tl	V	Zn
<b>Intermediate Perched Groundwater Systems</b>													
<b>Pueblo/Los Alamos Canyon Area Perched System in Conglomerates and Basalt:</b>													
Test Well 1A	06/19	1	130	9	<10	5	2	<1	<30	140	<2	<4	2,300
Test Well 2A	08/01	1	150	<8	<10	91	<2	<1	<30	210	<2	11	9,500
Basalt Spring	05/25	1	120	69	<15	2	<2	<2	<5	60	<2	7	<10
<b>Perched Groundwater System in Volcanics:</b>													
Water Canyon Gallery	07/27	1	<3	<8	<10	<30	<2	<1	<30	51	<2	11	<20
<b>Fenton Hill (TA-57):</b>													
FH-1	06/13	1	<10	<2	9	3	<2	<2	<5	260	<2	<2	2,580
<b>Water Quality Standards<sup>c</sup></b>													
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard					100		6	50			2		
EPA Secondary Drinking Water Standard			50										5,000
EPA Action Level						15							
EPA Health Advisory												80–110	
NMWQCC Livestock Watering Standards							100	50		25,000–90,000		100	25,000
NMWQCC Groundwater Limit			200	1,000	200	50		50					10,000

<sup>a</sup>Codes: uf—unfiltered; f—filtered; d—field duplicate; 1—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate; D1—lab duplicate.

<sup>b</sup>Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified limit of detection of the analytical method.

<sup>c</sup>Standards given here for comparison only, see Appendix A. Note that New Mexico Livestock and Groundwater limits are based on dissolved concentrations, while many of these analyses are of unfiltered samples—thus concentrations may include suspended sediment quantities.

## 5. Surface Water, Groundwater, and Sediments

**Table 5-19. Number of Results Above the Analytical Limit of Quantitation for Organic Compounds in Groundwater for 1995**

Station	Date	Type of Organic Compound			
		Volatile	Semivolatile	PCB	HE <sup>a</sup>
Number of Compounds Analyzed		59	69	4	14
Ancho Spring	09/12	0	0	0	5
Spring 9	09/12	0	0	0	1
Spring 9B	09/12	0	0	0	0
Sacred Spring	05/24	0	0	0	
APCO-1	03/29	0	0	0	
APCO-1	06/23	0	0	0	
APCO-1	08/07	0	0	0	
APCO-1	12/14	0	0	0	
LAO-3	03/29	0	0	0	
LAO-3	06/23	0	0	0	
LAO-3	08/07	0	0	0	
LAO-3	08/07	0	0	0	
LAO-3	12/14	0	0	0	
MCO-4B	03/31	0	0	0	
MCO-4B	06/27	0	0	0	
MCO-4B	08/09	0	0	0	
MCO-4B	12/18	0	0	0	
MCO-6	03/31	0	0	0	
MCO-6	06/27	0	0	0	
MCO-6	08/09	0	0	0	
MCO-6	12/19	0	0	0	
MCO-7	03/30	0	1	0	
MCO-7	06/28	0	0	0	
PCO-3	05/20	0	0	0	
Basalt Spring	07/21	2	0	0	

<sup>a</sup>High explosive.

**Table 5-20. Results Above the Analytical Limit of Quantitation for Organic Compounds in Groundwater for 1995 (µg/L)**

Station	Date	Analyte	Sample Value	Uncertainty	Limit of Quantitation	Analyte Suite <sup>a</sup>	Symbol <sup>b</sup>	CST-12 Comments on Analytical Results
Ancho Spring	09/12	Dinitrotoluene [2,4-]	.18	.054		HE		
Ancho Spring	09/12	HMX	4.9	1.47		HE		
Ancho Spring	09/12	RDX	23	6.9		HE		
Ancho Spring	09/12	Tetryl(methyl-2,4,6-trinitrophenylnitramine)	.61	.183		HE		
Ancho Spring	09/12	Trinitrotoluene [2,4,6-]	4.8	1.44		HE		found in method blank
Spring 9	09/12	Trinitrotoluene [2,4,6-]	.2	.06		HE		found in method blank
MCO-7	03/30	Pentachlorophenol	11	3.3	50	svoa		found in method blank
Basalt Spring	07/21	Chloroethane	21	6.3	10	voa		
Basalt Spring	07/21	Oxygenated Hydrocarbon	48				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Oxygenated Hydrocarbon	19				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Toluene	37			voa	TI	possible analytical artifact
Basalt Spring	07/21	Unknown alkanes	73				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Unknown alkanes	39				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Unknown organic compound	120				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Unknown organic compound	18				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Unknown organic compound	24				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Unknown organic compound	33				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Unknown organic compound	150				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Unknown organic compound	17				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Unknown organic compound	54				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Unknown organic compound	150				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Unknown organic compound	37				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Unknown organic compound	110				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Unknown organic compound	190				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Unknown organic compound	16				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Unknown organic compound	28				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Unknown organic compound	36				TI	
Basalt Spring	07/21	Unknown organic compound	22				TI	

<sup>a</sup> HE—high explosives; voa—volatile organics; svoa—semivolatile organics.<sup>b</sup> TI—tentatively identified compound.

Table 5-21. Radiochemical Analysis of Sediments in 1995

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	<sup>3</sup> H (nCi/L)	<sup>90</sup> Sr (pCi/g)	<sup>137</sup> Cs (pCi/g)	Total U (mg/kg)	<sup>238</sup> Pu (pCi/g)	<sup>239,240</sup> Pu (pCi/g)	<sup>241</sup> Am (pCi/g)	Gross Alpha (pCi/g)	Gross Beta (pCi/g)	Gross Gamma (pCi/g)
<b>Regional Stations</b>												
Chamita	03/23	1 <sup>b</sup>	.0 (0.4) <sup>c</sup>	10.8 (0.7) <sup>d</sup>	.05 (.02)	.61 (.10)	.004 (.001)	.002 (.001)	.003 (.001)	0.8 (0.2)	.5 (0.1)	1.4 (0.2)
Chamita	03/23	R	.3 (0.3)									
Embudo	03/23	1	.0 (0.3)	.1 (0.2)	.05 (.02)	1.39 (.26)	.001 (.001)	.002 (.001)	.003 (.003)	1.9 (0.5)	1.6 (0.2)	1.8 (0.3)
Embudo	03/23	R							.001 (.001)			
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	03/23	1	.2 (0.4)	.0 (0.2)	.03 (.02)	1.57 (.28)	.009 (.002)	.024 (.003)	.004 (.001)	1.3 (0.3)	1.4 (0.2)	1.7 (0.2)
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	09/15	1	.0 (0.3)	.2 (0.2)	.07 (.02)		.002 (.001)	.003 (.001)		3.0 (0.6)	1.4 (0.2)	3.0 (0.3)
Rio Grande at Otowi (wdth intgrt)	09/15	1	.2 (0.4)	.0 (0.2)	.01 (.02)		.005 (.001)	.002 (.001)		2.0 (0.4)	.8 (0.2)	3.1 (0.4)
Rio Grande at Frijoles (bank)	09/13	1	-.1 (0.3)		.03 (.01)	1.11 (.11)	.002 (.001)	.004 (.001)	.001 (.001)	1.0 (0.2)	.5 (0.1)	2.0 (0.3)
Rio Grande at Frijoles (wdth intgrt)	09/13	1	.1 (0.4)		.04 (.01)	1.03 (.10)	.003 (.002)	.002 (.001)	.002 (.001)	1.0 (0.2)	.3 (0.1)	2.3 (0.3)
Rio Grande at Frijoles (wdth intgrt)	09/13	R	-.1 (0.3)		.02 (.01)	1.20 (.12)			.003 (.001)	2.0 (0.4)	1.0 (0.2)	2.9 (0.3)
Rio Grande at Cochiti Spillway	03/23	1	.2 (0.3)	.3 (0.2)	.08 (.03)	1.81 (.25)	.007 (.001)	.008 (.001)	.001 (.001)	2.0 (0.5)	2.3 (0.3)	2.2 (0.3)
Rio Grande at Bernalillo	03/23	1	.2 (0.3)	.2 (0.2)	.05 (.02)	1.28 (.23)	.002 (.001)	.004 (.002)	.002 (.001)	1.7 (0.5)	1.7 (0.2)	1.7 (0.2)
Jemez River	03/23	1	.2 (0.3)	.2 (0.2)	.05 (.03)	1.18 (.22)	.001 (.001)	.002 (.001)	.002 (.001)	1.4 (0.5)	1.7 (0.2)	3.0 (0.3)
<b>Guaje Canyon:</b>												
Guaje at SR-502	03/21	1		.2 (0.2)	.04 (.02)	1.69 (.44)	.012 (.001)	.002 (.001)	.002 (.001)	1.7 (0.4)	1.4 (0.2)	2.2 (0.3)
<b>Bayo Canyon:</b>												
Bayo at SR-502	03/21	1		-.1 (0.3)	<.04 <sup>e</sup>	1.30 (.13)	.010 (.002)	.002 (.001)	.002 (.001)	1.0 (0.3)	1.0 (0.2)	2.6 (0.3)
<b>Acid/Pueblo Canyons:</b>												
Acid Weir	05/02	1	-.1 (0.3)	.2 (0.2)	.20 (.04)	1.46 (.15)	.046 (.005)	7.320 (.274)	.252 (.014)	14.0 (2.0)	2.0 (0.3)	2.1 (0.3)
Acid Weir	05/02	R					.023 (.007)	6.521 (.165)				
Pueblo 1	05/02	1	-.4 (0.3)	.1 (0.2)	.02 (.02)	.77 (.08)	.000 (.002)	.005 (.002)	.005 (.002)	2.0 (0.5)	4.0 (0.5)	1.9 (0.2)
Pueblo 1	05/02	R					.036 (.009)	.051 (.008)				
Pueblo 2	05/02	1		.1 (0.2)	.04 (.01)	1.72 (.17)	.011 (.003)	3.317 (.128)	.053 (.005)	3.0 (0.6)	.3 (0.1)	2.3 (0.3)
Pueblo 2	05/02	R					.015 (.006)	1.148 (.039)	.025 (.003)			
Hamilton Bend Spring	05/02	1		.4 (0.2)	.01 (.02)	1.70 (.17)	.018 (.003)	.814 (.033)	.030 (.003)	3.0 (0.6)	.8 (0.2)	2.1 (0.3)
Hamilton Bend Spring	05/02	R					.004 (.001)	.566 (.019)	.024 (.003)			
Pueblo 3	05/03	1	-.1 (0.3)	.0 (0.2)	.06 (.02)	3.25 (.33)	.018 (.002)	.607 (.017)	.026 (.003)	3.0 (0.7)	1.0 (0.2)	3.9 (0.4)
Pueblo 3	05/03	R					.020 (.002)	.671 (.021)	.025 (.003)			
Pueblo at SR-502	05/02	1		.1 (0.2)	.03 (.01)	1.64 (.16)	.009 (.004)	1.057 (.053)	.030 (.003)	2.0 (0.5)	.8 (0.2)	2.4 (0.3)
Pueblo at SR-502	05/02	R					.012 (.002)	.407 (.017)	.016 (.002)			
<b>DP/Los Alamos Canyons:</b>												
Los Alamos at Bridge	05/02	1	-.2 (0.3)	.2 (0.2)	.02 (.03)	1.69 (.17)	.005 (.001)	.006 (.001)	.002 (.001)	2.0 (0.4)	.8 (0.2)	2.0 (0.3)
Los Alamos at LAO-1	05/02	1	-.1 (0.3)	.1 (0.2)	.29 (.05)	2.85 (.29)	.008 (.003)	1.277 (.057)	.019 (.002)	5.0 (0.9)	2.0 (0.3)	3.1 (0.4)
Los Alamos at LAO-1	05/02	R					.007 (.002)	.917 (.037)	.016 (.002)			
Los Alamos at GS-1	05/03	1	.0 (0.3)	.2 (0.2)	1.32 (.14)	1.89 (.19)	.041 (.005)	.222 (.013)	.222 (.010)	2.0 (0.5)	2.0 (0.3)	3.4 (0.4)

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<b>DP/Los Alamos Canyons (Cont.):</b>												
Los Alamos at GS-1	05/03	R					.020 (.002)	.147 (.007)	.137 (.007)			
DPS-1	07/13	1		.3 (0.2)	.11 (.02)	1.06 (.11)	.007 (.001)	.009 (.001)	.009 (.002)	1.0 (0.2)	1.0 (0.2)	2.2 (0.3)
DPS-1	07/13	R					.005 (.001)	.008 (.002)	.017 (.002)			
DPS-4	05/03	1	.0 (0.3)	.8 (0.2)	2.06 (.21)	1.60 (.16)	.038 (.005)	.149 (.011)	.244 (.011)	3.0 (0.6)	6.0 (0.7)	3.8 (0.4)
DPS-4	05/03	R					.050 (.010)	.166 (.008)	.219 (.009)			
Los Alamos at LAO-3	05/03	1	-.2 (0.3)	.3 (0.2)	.34 (.05)	2.66 (.27)	.061 (.012)	.433 (.023)	.061 (.004)	3.0 (0.7)	2.0 (0.2)	3.3 (0.4)
Los Alamos at LAO-3	05/03	R					.022 (.008)	.133 (.023)	.062 (.004)			
Los Alamos at LAO-4.5	05/02	1	.2 (0.3)	.6 (0.2)	1.01 (.11)	1.90 (.19)	.023 (.002)	.164 (.007)	.136 (.008)	2.0 (0.5)	2.0 (0.2)	2.9 (0.3)
Los Alamos at LAO-4.5	05/02	R					.018 (.002)	.126 (.006)	.118 (.006)			
Los Alamos at SR-4	05/03	1	.0 (0.3)	.2 (0.6)	1.45 (.15)	1.47 (.15)	.064 (.008)	.364 (.021)	.282 (.011)	3.0 (0.6)	3.0 (0.3)	4.1 (0.4)
Los Alamos at SR-4	05/03	R					.037 (.005)	.180 (.012)	.191 (.008)			
Los Alamos at Totavi	05/04	1	-.1 (0.3)	.1 (0.2)	.12 (.02)	2.64 (.26)	.002 (.001)	.103 (.005)	.073 (.012)	2.0 (0.4)	1.0 (0.2)	2.8 (0.3)
Los Alamos at Totavi	05/04	R					.003 (.001)	.120 (.006)	.016 (.003)			
Los Alamos at LA-2	05/04	1	-.3 (0.3)	.0 (0.2)	.08 (.02)	1.54 (.15)	.006 (.002)	.125 (.010)	.011 (.002)	2.0 (0.5)	1.0 (0.2)	1.7 (0.2)
Los Alamos at LA-2	05/04	R					.002 (.001)	.099 (.006)				
Los Alamos at Otowi	05/04	1	-.1 (0.3)	.4 (0.4)	-.01 (.09)	1.93 (.19)	.005 (.002)	.204 (.011)	.016 (.002)	2.0 (0.5)	.5 (0.1)	2.0 (0.3)
Los Alamos at Otowi	05/04	R					.002 (.001)	.138 (.007)	.012 (.002)			
<b>Sandia Canyon:</b>												
Sandia at SR-4	03/21	1	.0 (0.3)	.0 (0.2)	<.02	1.25 (.13)	.001 (.001)	.004 (.001)	.002 (.001)	2.0 (0.4)	1.3 (0.2)	2.6 (0.3)
Sandia at Rio Grande	09/11	1	-.3 (0.3)		.08 (.03)	1.85 (.19)	.013 (.002)	.002 (.001)	.002 (.002)	3.0 (0.6)	2.0 (0.2)	2.7 (0.3)
<b>Mortandad Canyon:</b>												
Mortandad near CMR Building	05/04	1	.3 (0.3)	.2 (0.2)	.03 (.04)	1.45 (.15)	.009 (.003)	.004 (.002)	.001 (.001)	2.0 (0.5)	1.0 (0.2)	2.5 (0.3)
Mortandad near CMR Building	05/04	R					.020 (.010)	.010 (.010)	.004 (.001)			
Mortandad west of GS-1	05/22	1	-.3 (0.3)	.1 (0.2)	.07 (.02)	.95 (.10)	.029 (.003)	.024 (.002)	.019 (.003)	2.0 (0.5)	1.0 (0.2)	1.9 (0.3)
Mortandad west of GS-1	05/22	R					.020 (.002)	.029 (.003)	.008 (.001)			
Mortandad at GS-1	05/22	1	11.5 (1.0)	.3 (0.3)	25.70 (1.9)	1.33 (.13)	6.177 (.131)	6.903 (.146)	11.700 (.500)	52.0(11.0)	30.0 (3.0)	24.0 (2.0)
Mortandad at GS-1	05/22	R					7.667 (.220)	8.510 (.244)	15.000 (2.00)			
Mortandad at MCO-5	05/04	1	3.7 (0.4)	1.3 (0.7)	12.80 (1.0)	1.25 (.13)	2.410 (.095)	7.525 (.281)	6.200 (.300)	32.0 (6.0)	21.0 (2.0)	13.0 (1.0)
Mortandad at MCO-5	05/04	R1	3.8 (0.6)				2.200 (.100)	6.000 (.300)	9.600 (.900)	27.0 (6.0)	22.0 (2.0)	18.0 (2.0)
Mortandad at MCO-5	05/04	R2					2.800 (.200)	8.100 (.400)	5.700 (.500)			
Mortandad at MCO-7	05/04	1		.6 (0.2)	2.93 (.27)	.88 (.09)	.366 (.012)	.747 (.020)	2.530 (.140)	11.0 (2.0)	9.0 (1.0)	5.5 (0.6)
Mortandad at MCO-7	05/04	R					.318 (.012)	.951 (.029)	.950 (.050)			
Mortandad at MCO-9	05/04	1	.2 (0.3)	.4 (0.2)	.39 (.06)	2.28 (.23)	.001 (.001)	.016 (.002)	.004 (.001)	5.0 (1.0)	4.0 (0.5)	3.4 (0.4)
Mortandad at MCO-9	05/04	R					.003 (.001)	.013 (.002)	.004 (.001)			
Mortandad at MCO-13 (A-5)	05/04	1	.5 (0.3)	.2 (0.2)	.26 (.04)	1.79 (.18)	.001 (.001)	.027 (.003)	.009 (.002)	5.0 (1.0)	4.0 (0.5)	2.4 (0.3)
Mortandad at MCO-13 (A-5)	05/04	R					.001 (.001)	.013 (.002)	.005 (.001)			
Mortandad A-6	05/31	1	.3 (0.3)	.5 (0.3)	.50 (.08)	2.50 (.43)	.008 (.001)	.036 (.003)	.013 (.003)	6.1 (1.2)	5.0 (0.5)	3.4 (0.4)



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<b>Mortandad Canyon (Cont.):</b>												
Mortandad A-6	05/31	R										
Mortandad A-7	05/31	1	-.1 (0.3)	.2 (0.2)	.13 (.03)	.32 (.04)	.004 (.002)	.011 (.002)	.003 (.002)	3.3 (0.7)	2.3 (0.3)	1.8 (0.2)
Mortandad A-8	05/31	1	-.1 (0.3)	.2 (0.2)	.15 (.04)	2.74 (.27)	.002 (.001)	.012 (.002)	.003 (.002)	4.2 (0.9)	3.2 (0.3)	2.7 (0.3)
Mortandad at SR-4 (A-9)	05/31	1	.3 (0.3)	.0 (0.2)	.06 (.02)	2.33 (.23)	.002 (.001)	.003 (.001)	.002 (.002)	3.5 (0.7)	2.4 (0.3)	2.2 (0.3)
Mortandad A-10	05/31	1	.2 (0.3)	.1 (0.5)	<.03	.39 (.04)	.004 (.001)	.002 (.001)	.001 (.001)	2.1 (0.5)	1.4 (0.2)	2.4 (0.3)
Mortandad at Rio Grande (A-11)	09/11	1	-.1 (0.3)		.03 (.01)	1.78 (.21)	.003 (.001)	.005 (.001)	.002 (.001)	2.0 (0.6)	1.2 (0.2)	2.6 (0.3)
<b>Cañada del Buey:</b>												
Cañada del Buey at SR-4	03/21	1	.5 (0.5)	.3 (0.2)	.04 (.02)	1.53 (.15)	.004 (.001)	.007 (.001)	.002 (.001)	2.6 (0.6)	2.1 (0.3)	2.7 (0.3)
<b>Cañada Ancha:</b>												
Cañada Ancha at Rio Grande	09/11	1	.2 (0.3)		.06 (.02)	1.22 (.12)	.000 (.001)	.002 (.001)	.000 (.001)	2.0 (0.5)	.9 (0.2)	1.3 (0.2)
<b>Area G, TA-54:</b>												
G-1	05/05	1	-.2 (0.3)	.0 (0.3)	.08 (.03)	.84 (.15)	.001 (.001)	.004 (.001)	.004 (.001)	2.2 (0.5)	1.4 (0.2)	5.2 (0.6)
G-2	05/05	1	-.1 (0.3)	.0 (0.3)	.06 (.02)	1.25 (.13)	.012 (.002)	.002 (.001)	.002 (.002)	2.1 (0.5)	2.0 (0.3)	4.2 (0.5)
G-3	05/05	1	.4 (0.3)	.1 (0.3)	.36 (.06)	1.98 (.22)	.003 (.001)	.021 (.002)	.008 (.001)	4.5 (1.0)	4.0 (0.5)	5.0 (0.5)
G-4	05/05	1	.1 (0.3)	.0 (0.3)	.35 (.06)	2.32 (.46)	.016 (.002)	.026 (.002)	.005 (.001)	6.0 (1.0)	4.3 (0.5)	4.9 (0.5)
G-5	05/05	1	1.6 (0.4)	.3 (0.3)	.11 (.03)	1.06 (.11)	.015 (.002)	.009 (.002)	.004 (.001)	2.3 (0.5)	2.2 (0.3)	2.8 (0.3)
G-6	05/05	1	2.5 (0.5)	.3 (0.2)	.27 (.05)	1.85 (.26)	.007 (.001)	.072 (.004)	.025 (.003)	6.0 (1.0)	4.7 (0.5)	9.0 (0.9)
G-7	05/05	1	.4 (0.3)	.1 (0.4)	.23 (.05)	1.31 (.20)	.028 (.002)	.038 (.003)	.016 (.006)	5.0 (1.0)	4.4 (0.5)	7.9 (0.8)
G-8	05/05	1	.7 (0.3)	.1 (0.3)	.09 (.03)	1.58 (.16)	.176 (.007)	.147 (.006)	.033 (.007)	2.6 (0.6)	1.6 (0.2)	6.7 (0.7)
G-9	05/05	1	.3 (0.3)	.3 (0.2)	.31 (.06)	1.18 (.13)	.022 (.002)	.048 (.003)	.015 (.002)	5.0 (1.0)	3.5 (0.4)	6.8 (0.7)
<b>Pajarito Canyon:</b>												
Pajarito at SR-4	03/21	1	.2 (0.3)	.2 (0.2)	.29 (.06)	2.25 (.23)	.025 (.002)	.072 (.004)	.013 (.002)	5.0 (1.0)	4.9 (0.5)	3.6 (0.4)
Pajarito at Rio Grande	09/11	1	-.2 (0.3)	.0 (0.5)	.03 (.04)	.94 (.09)	.004 (.001)	.003 (.001)	.003 (.001)	1.0 (0.2)	.7 (0.1)	1.7 (0.2)
<b>Potrillo Canyon:</b>												
Potrillo at SR-4	03/21	1	.3 (0.4)	.9 (3.8)	.13 (.04)	1.72 (.21)	.006 (.001)	.006 (.001)	.002 (.001)	2.6 (0.6)	3.1 (0.4)	2.8 (0.3)
<b>Fence Canyon:</b>												
Fence at SR-4	03/21	1	1.3 (0.5)	.2 (0.2)	.12 (.04)	3.16 (.35)	.029 (.003)	.010 (.002)	.002 (.001)	4.5 (1.0)	3.9 (0.4)	4.7 (0.5)
<b>Water Canyon:</b>												
Water at SR-4	03/21	1		.1 (0.2)	.08 (.03)	1.56 (.16)	.003 (.001)	.008 (.002)	.004 (.002)	2.8 (0.6)	3.1 (0.4)	3.8 (0.4)
Water at Rio Grande	09/12	1	.1 (0.3)	.3 (0.2)	.15 (.04)	2.90 (.35)	.001 (.001)	.010 (.002)	.004 (.003)	6.0 (1.0)	4.0 (0.5)	2.9 (0.3)
<b>Indio Canyon:</b>												
Indio at SR-4	03/21	1	.7 (0.6)	.9 (2.1)	.13 (.04)	1.12 (.11)	.001 (.001)	.004 (.001)	.001 (.001)	1.4 (0.3)	1.4 (0.2)	2.9 (0.3)

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<b>Ancho Canyon:</b>												
Ancho at SR-4	03/21	1		.4 (0.2)	.04 (.02)	1.57 (.16)	.018 (.003)	.006 (.002)	.003 (.001)	2.0 (0.4)	2.1 (0.3)	4.1 (0.5)
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	1	.1 (0.3)	.1 (0.3)	.25 (.05)	2.39 (.35)	.007 (.002)	.018 (.002)	.006 (.003)	6.0 (1.0)	4.0 (0.5)	3.4 (0.4)
<b>Chaquehui Canyon:</b>												
Chaquehui at Rio Grande	09/13	1	-.1 (0.3)	1.0 (0.4)	.61 (.07)	2.87 (.52)	.018 (.002)	.028 (.002)	.010 (.004)	9.0 (1.0)	6.0 (0.7)	4.3 (0.5)
<b>Area AB, TA-49:</b>												
AB-1	05/04	1	-.1 (0.3)	.4 (0.3)	.19 (.05)	2.99 (.60)	.012 (.010)	.013 (.002)	.004 (.001)	6.1 (1.0)	5.4 (0.5)	3.7 (0.4)
AB-2	05/04	1	-.1 (0.3)	.5 (0.2)	.34 (.07)	3.74 (.90)	.012 (.002)	.033 (.003)	.010 (.002)	11.1 (2.0)	8.1 (0.8)	3.5 (0.4)
AB-3	05/04	1	-.2 (0.3)	.8 (0.3)	.25 (.06)	3.40 (.61)	.022 (.002)	1.181 (.028)	.306 (.011)	11.1 (2.0)	5.9 (0.6)	3.6 (0.4)
AB-4	05/04	1	.3 (0.3)	.5 (0.2)	.50 (.09)	3.63 (.62)	.002 (.001)	.026 (.003)	.011 (.002)	9.8 (2.0)	7.0 (0.7)	4.2 (0.5)
AB-4A	05/04	1	-.4 (0.3)	.2 (0.3)	.18 (.04)	2.62 (.26)	.007 (.001)	.014 (.002)	.006 (.001)	6.1 (1.0)	6.0 (0.6)	3.4 (0.4)
AB-5	05/04	1	.0 (0.3)	.0 (0.2)	.07 (.03)	2.15 (.28)	.002 (.001)	.006 (.001)	.003 (.001)	8.6 (1.0)	5.4 (0.5)	3.4 (0.4)
AB-6	05/04	1	.1 (0.3)	.7 (0.4)	.78 (.11)	1.89 (.28)	.001 (.001)	.033 (.003)	.011 (.002)	5.3 (0.9)	6.3 (0.6)	3.3 (0.4)
AB-7	05/04	1	.1 (0.3)	.5 (0.2)	.29 (.06)	2.39 (.45)	.011 (.010)	.015 (.002)	.008 (.002)	7.4 (1.0)	5.1 (0.5)	3.2 (0.4)
AB-8	05/04	1	-.4 (0.3)	.2 (0.2)	.05 (.02)	1.27 (.13)	.014 (.002)	.003 (.001)	.002 (.001)	2.7 (0.5)	2.4 (0.3)	2.7 (0.3)
AB-9	05/04	1	.0 (0.3)	.4 (0.2)	.42 (.08)	1.84 (.26)	.001 (.001)	.019 (.002)	.008 (.002)	4.5 (0.8)	5.0 (0.4)	3.3 (0.4)
AB-9	05/04	R					.001 (.001)	.016 (.002)				
AB-10	05/04	1		.1 (0.3)	.10 (.03)	1.21 (.15)	.000 (.001)	.003 (.001)	.005 (.001)	2.9 (0.5)	2.4 (0.3)	2.4 (0.3)
AB-10	05/04	R				1.26 (.13)						
AB-11	05/04	1	.0 (0.3)	.2 (0.3)	.06 (.03)	1.03 (.10)	.001 (.001)	.006 (.002)	.007 (.001)	7.4 (1.0)	5.0 (0.5)	2.2 (0.3)
AB-11	05/04	R								5.0 (0.5)	6.1 (1.0)	
<b>Frijoles Canyon:</b>												
Frijoles at Rio Grande	09/14	1	.2 (0.3)		.26 (.04)	2.77 (.36)	.016 (.002)	.006 (.001)	.003 (.002)	4.0 (0.9)	2.0 (0.3)	3.7 (0.4)
<b>Reservoirs on Rio Chama:</b>												
El Vado Upper	07/05	1	.0 (0.3)	.1 (0.3)	.12 (.03)	2.02 (.24)	.001 (.001)	.006 (.001)	.003 (.001)	5.0 (1.0)	2.1 (0.3)	2.1 (0.3)
El Vado Upper	07/05	R		.2 (0.2)	.10 (.03)		.0003 (.0031)	.0065 (.0122)	.002 (.001)	6.0 (1.0)	3.0 (0.3)	
El Vado Middle	07/05	1	-.2 (0.3)	.1 (0.2)	.13 (.03)	1.88 (.21)	.002 (.003)	.005 (.001)	.000 (.001)	5.0 (1.0)	3.0 (0.3)	2.2 (0.3)
El Vado Lower	07/05	1	-.1 (0.3)	.1 (0.2)	.16 (.03)	2.46 (.25)	.001 (.001)	.006 (.001)	.003 (.001)	7.0 (1.0)	4.0 (0.4)	2.4 (0.3)
El Vado Lower	07/05	R				2.07 (.21)						
Heron Upper	07/05	1	.4 (0.3)	.8 (0.3)	.28 (.05)	3.42 (.44)	.003 (.001)	.012 (.002)	.007 (.001)	10.0 (2.0)	5.0 (0.5)	3.2 (0.4)
Heron Middle	07/05	1	.5 (0.3)	.3 (0.2)	.29 (.05)	3.46 (.35)	.021 (.002)	.009 (.001)	.003 (.001)	10.0 (2.0)	5.0 (0.7)	3.3 (0.4)
Heron Lower	07/05	1	.0 (0.3)	.2 (0.2)	.37 (.06)	3.29 (.33)	.019 (.002)	.011 (.002)	.005 (.001)	12.0 (2.0)	5.0 (0.5)	3.4 (0.4)
Abiquiu Upper	06/30	1	.0 (0.3)	.3 (0.3)	.02 (.03)	2.32 (.26)	.036 (.003)	.003 (.001)	.002 (.001)	9.0 (2.0)	2.0 (0.3)	2.3 (0.3)
Abiquiu Middle	06/30	1	.0 (0.3)	.4 (0.2)	.44 (.06)	3.30 (.40)	.002 (.001)	.012 (.002)	.007 (.003)	14.0 (2.0)	7.0 (0.8)	4.0 (0.4)
Abiquiu Lower	06/30	1	-.3 (0.3)	.3 (0.3)	.35 (.05)	3.72 (.60)	.003 (.001)	.009 (.001)	.005 (.003)	10.0 (2.0)	6.0 (0.7)	3.3 (0.4)

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<b>Reservoirs and Lakes on Rio Grande (Colorado):</b>												
Rio Grande Upper	07/28	1	.2 (0.4)	.7 (0.4)	.12 (.02)	2.85 (.48)			.004 (.002)	5.0 (1.0)	3.0 (0.4)	2.9 (0.3)
Rio Grande Upper	07/28	R			.15 (.03)					6.0 (1.0)	4.0 (0.4)	
Rio Grande Middle	07/28	1	.3 (0.4)	.4 (0.5)	.26 (.04)	2.82 (.28)			.004 (.001)	7.0 (1.0)	5.0 (0.5)	2.8 (0.3)
Rio Grande Lower	07/28	1	-.1 (0.4)	.4 (0.4)	.23 (.04)	2.84 (.28)			.001 (.001)	6.0 (1.0)	4.0 (0.4)	3.3 (0.4)
Rio Grande Lower	07/28	R				2.27 (.23)						
Love Lake	07/28	1	.2 (0.4)	.5 (0.3)	.53 (.07)	4.18 (.48)	.003 (.001)	.016 (.003)	.015 (.002)	11.0 (2.0)	8.0 (0.9)	4.0 (0.4)
<b>Reservoirs and Lakes on Rio Grande (New Mexico):</b>												
Cochiti Upper	06/09	1	-.2 (0.4)	.1 (0.3)	.09 (.03)	2.29 (.27)	.0150 (.0019)	.0065 (.0012)	.003 (.001)	2.0 (1.0)	4.0 (0.5)	2.2 (0.3)
Cochiti Middle	06/09	1	-.1 (0.4)	.1 (0.4)	.20 (.04)	.09 (.03)	.0052 (.0013)	.0196 (.0023)	.002 (.001)	7.0 (2.0)	8.0 (0.9)	2.0 (0.3)
Cochiti Lower	06/09	1	-.1 (0.4)	.2 (0.4)	.23 (.04)	2.37 (.24)	.0025 (.0009)	.0114 (.0018)	.005 (.001)	4.0 (1.0)	5.0 (0.5)	4.8 (0.6)
Santa Clara Pond 4	05/19	1	.2 (0.3)	.2 (0.4)	.23 (.04)	2.37 (.24)	.0025 (.0009)	.0114 (.0018)	.005 (.001)	4.0 (1.0)	5.0 (0.5)	4.8 (0.6)
<b>Detection Limits</b>			2.0	1.0	0.05	0.25	0.005 <sup>f</sup>	0.005 <sup>f</sup>	0.005	1.5	1.5	0.8
Background (x+2s) <sup>g</sup>				0.87	0.44	4.40	0.006	0.023				7.9
SAL <sup>h</sup>			20.0	5.9	4.0	95.0	20.0	18.0	17.0			

<sup>a</sup> Code: 1—primary analysis; R—lab replicate.<sup>b</sup> Sample sizes: stream channels—100 g; reservoirs—1000 g.<sup>c</sup> Radioactivity counting uncertainties are shown in parentheses (1 standard deviation, 3 except <sup>3</sup>H—3 standard deviations). Radioactivity counting uncertainties are less than analytical uncertainties. Values less than two standard deviations are considered nondetections.<sup>d</sup> Questionable value; laboratory QA not within control specifications.<sup>e</sup> Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified limit of detection of the analytical method.<sup>f</sup> Limits of Detection for 1000 g <sup>238</sup>Pu and <sup>239,240</sup>Pu reservoir samples are 0.0001 pCi/g.<sup>g</sup> Purtymun 1987a; background defined as mean plus two times standard deviation (x+2s).<sup>h</sup> SAL—Screening Action Level; Environmental Restoration, 1995; see text for details.

## 5. Surface Water, Groundwater, and Sediments

**Table 5-22. Plutonium Analyses of Sediments in Reservoirs on the Rio Chama and Rio Grande<sup>a</sup>**

		<sup>238</sup> Pu		<sup>239,240</sup> Pu		Ratio
		(fCi/g)		(fCi/g)		( <sup>239,240</sup> Pu/ <sup>238</sup> Pu)
<b>Abiquiu Reservoir (Rio Chama)</b>						
1984	Mean(s)	0.7	(0.2) <sup>b</sup>	12.7	(1.1)	18.1
1985	Mean(s)	0.7	(0.2)	8.8	(0.8)	12.6
1986	Mean(s)	0.3	(0.1)	7.5	(0.3)	25.0
1987	Mean(s)	0.2	(0.0)	3.7	(0.2)	18.5
1988	Mean(s)	0.3	(0.1)	7.4	(0.3)	24.7
1989	Mean(s)	0.4	(0.1)	3.7	(0.2)	9.2
1990	Mean(s)	0.1	(0.1)	2.6	(0.2)	26.0
1991	Mean(s)	0.3	(0.2)	7.2	(0.4)	24.0
1992	Mean(s)	0.1	(0.0)	0.8	(0.0)	8.0
1993	Mean(s)	0.2	(0.1)	5.1	(0.4)	25.5
1994	Mean(s)	0.2	(0.1)	0.5	(0.2)	2.5
1995	Upper	36.0	(3.0)	3.0	(1.0)	0.1
	Middle	2.0	(1.0)	12.0	(2.0)	6.0
	Lower	3.0	(1.0)	9.0	(1.0)	3.0
	Mean(s)	13.7	(1.7)	8.0	(1.3)	0.6
<b>Cochiti Reservoir (Rio Chama)</b>						
1984	Mean(s)	0.7	(0.1)	19.7	(1.1)	28.1
1985	Mean(s)	1.6	(0.3)	24.1	(0.8)	15.1
1986	Mean(s)	1.3	(0.1)	21.6	(0.3)	16.6
1987	Mean(s)	0.8	(0.1)	17.5	(0.2)	21.9
1988	Mean(s)	1.7	(0.2)	12.1	(0.3)	7.1
1989	Mean(s)	2.5	(0.2)	49.3	(0.2)	19.7
1990	Mean(s)	3.2	(0.1)	17.6	(0.2)	5.5
1991	Mean(s)	0.2	(0.1)	4.1	(0.4)	20.1
1992	Mean(s)	1.9	(0.2)	13.4	(0.0)	7.1
1993	Mean(s)	4.1	(0.4)	30.5	(0.4)	7.4
1994	Mean(s)	0.4	(0.1)	9.3	(0.4)	23.3
1995	Upper	15.0	(1.9)	6.5	(1.2)	0.4
	Middle	5.2	(1.3)	19.6	(2.3)	3.8
	Lower	2.5	(0.9)	11.4	(1.8)	4.6
	Mean(s)	7.6	(1.4)	12.5	(1.8)	1.6
<b>Background</b>						
(1974–1986) <sup>c</sup>		6.0		23.0		

<sup>a</sup>Samples were collected June 30, 1995, at Abiquiu Reservoir and June 9, 1995, at Cochiti Reservoir.

<sup>b</sup>Counting uncertainties ( $\pm 1$  standard deviation) are in parentheses.

<sup>c</sup>Purtymun (1987a).

**Table 5-23. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Sediments for 1995 (mg/kg)**

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	Ag	Al	As	B	Ba	Be	Cd	Co	Cr	Cu	Fe	Hg
<b>Regional Stations</b>														
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	09/15	1	1.0 <sup>b</sup>	4,300	3.0	2.0	140.0	0.13	<0.4 <sup>c</sup>	3.30	7.0	6.7	7,800	<0.03
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	09/15	R												<0.03
Rio Grande at Otowi (wdth intgrt)	09/15	1	<1.0	780	0.9	<1.0	25.0	<0.08	<0.4	0.62	1.7	3.9	2,300	0.03
Rio Grande at Otowi (wdth intgrt)	09/15	R												<0.03
Rio Grande at Frijoles (bank)	09/13	1	<1.2	680	0.6	<1.2	11.0	<0.17	<0.4	<0.50	1.4	<1.4	1,400	0.03
Rio Grande at Frijoles (bank)	09/13	R												0.03
Rio Grande at Frijoles (wdth intgrt)	09/13	1	<1.0	970	0.8	<1.0	11.0	<0.17	<0.4	1.00	2.0	1.6	2,800	<0.03
Rio Grande at Frijoles (wdth intgrt)	09/13	R	<1.0	540	1.0	1.0	8.6	<0.17	<0.4	<0.50	1.3	1.5	1,500	<0.03
<b>Acid/Pueblo Canyons:</b>														
Acid Weir	05/02	1	<1.0	1,600	1.0	<1.0	18.0	0.22	<0.4	2.40	2.3	1.7	4,000	
Pueblo 1	05/02	1	<1.0	1,700	1.0	<1.0	19.0	0.20	<0.4	2.00	1.5	1.1	4,900	
Pueblo 2	05/02	1	<5.0	1,100	<0.5	6.6	12.0	<0.08	<0.4	<1.50	1.7	<0.5	11,000	
Hamilton Bend Spring	05/02	1	<5.0	2,700	0.9	4.6	35.0	0.57	<0.4	1.20	3.7	2.3	5,500	
Pueblo 3	05/03	1	<5.0	2,900	0.8	3.6	21.0	0.18	<0.4	1.20	2.7	12.0	3,700	
Pueblo at SR-502	05/02	1	<5.0	5,500	0.8	7.6	46.0	0.55	<0.4	0.94	3.6	2.4	9,300	
<b>DP/Los Alamos Canyons:</b>														
Los Alamos at Bridge	05/02	1	<1.0	2,200	0.6	<1.0	25.0	0.19	<0.4	2.20	3.6	7.3	4,400	
Los Alamos at LAO-1	05/02	1	<5.0	5,300	1.0	4.6	43.0	0.34	<0.4	1.70	7.5	6.2	5,700	
Los Alamos at GS-1	05/03	1	<5.0	610	<0.5	1.2	7.2	<0.08	<0.4	<0.50	<1.0	<1.0	1,200	
DPS-1	07/13	1	<5.0	1,600	1.0	3.6	16.0	0.12	<0.4	<1.00	1.3	1.6	3,600	
DPS-4	05/03	1	<1.0	2,300	0.9	1.1	24.0	0.37	<0.4	0.77	1.5	1.0	4,200	
Los Alamos at LAO-3	05/03	1	<5.0	3,700	0.8	3.3	28.0	0.20	<0.4	1.30	3.7	3.2	4,700	
Los Alamos at LAO-4.5	05/02	1	<5.0	1,100	0.5	2.0	12.0	<0.08	<0.4	<1.60	1.4	1.3	2,000	
Los Alamos at SR-4	05/03	1	<5.0	2,300	0.8	3.2	17.0	0.12	<0.4	0.87	1.9	1.2	4,600	
<b>Sandia Canyon:</b>														
Sandia at Rio Grande	09/11	1	2.0	7,100	0.9	1.7	92.0	0.57	<0.4	4.00	10.0	5.6	12,000	<0.03
Sandia at Rio Grande	09/11	R												0.03
<b>Mortandad Canyon:</b>														
Mortandad near CMR Building	05/04	1	<1.0	2,600	1.0	<1.0	29.0	0.31	<0.4	2.50	2.8	<2.0	5,900	
Mortandad near CMR Building	05/04	R	<1.0	2,300	2.0	0.2	40.0	0.30	<0.4	2.10	2.0	1.1	5,900	
Mortandad west of GS-1	05/22	1	<5.0	1,600	2.0	3.6	21.0	0.15	<0.4	1.20	1.6	0.8	4,500	
Mortandad at GS-1	05/22	1	<5.0	1,400	0.7	2.5	12.0	0.11	<0.4	0.74	1.5	2.3	3,100	
Mortandad at MCO-5	05/04	1	<5.0	1,400	0.8	3.3	11.0	0.11	<0.4	0.59	1.7	2.1	3,100	

Table 5-23. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Sediments for 1995 (mg/kg) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	Ag	Al	As	B	Ba	Be	Cd	Co	Cr	Cu	Fe	Hg
<b>Mortandad Canyon (Cont.):</b>														
Mortandad at MCO-5	05/04	R	<5.0	1,500	<0.5	2.9	11.0	0.09	<0.4	0.50	1.4	2.5	3,300	
Mortandad at MCO-7	05/04	1	<5.0	1,900	1.0	3.6	21.0	0.15	<0.4	0.76	1.8	2.2	3,200	
Mortandad at MCO-9	05/04	1	<5.0	3,100	0.8	4.0	32.0	0.27	<0.4	1.50	2.1	2.8	4,400	
Mortandad at MCO-13 (A-5)	05/04	1	<1.0	4,400	1.0	5.6	68.0	0.43	0.4	4.10	2.6	3.2	5,500	
Mortandad A-6	05/31	1	<1.0	6,800	1.0	4.0	58.0	0.53	0.9	2.60	4.9	3.6	7,800	0.01
Mortandad A-6	05/31	R												<0.01
Mortandad A-7	05/31	1	<1.0	3,100	<0.5	3.0	19.0	0.29	0.8	1.30	2.5	<0.5	3,900	<0.01
Mortandad A-7	05/31	R												<0.01
Mortandad A-8	05/31	1	<1.0	5,500	1.0	4.0	52.0	0.53	0.7	2.60	4.5	1.9	7,300	<0.01
Mortandad A-8	05/31	R												<0.01
Mortandad at SR-4 (A-9)	05/31	1	<1.0	6,600	1.0	4.0	84.0	0.54	1.2	4.30	6.0	1.2	8,100	<0.01
Mortandad at SR-4 (A-9)	05/31	R												<0.01
Mortandad A-10	05/31	1	<1.0	6,500	0.9	3.4	70.0	0.40	1.1	3.70	6.1	<0.5	8,900	<0.01
Mortandad A-10	05/31	R												<0.01
Mortandad at Rio Grande (A-11)	09/11	1	1.9	8,900	2.0	<1.2	140.0	0.55	<0.4	6.00	9.2	7.9	12,000	0.03
Mortandad at Rio Grande (A-11)	09/11	R												0.03
<b>Cañada Ancha:</b>														
Cañada Ancha at Rio Grande	09/11	1	1.2	3,300	2.0	<1.2	72.0	<0.17	<0.4	2.50	4.7	4.1	6,100	0.03
Cañada Ancha at Rio Grande	09/11	R												0.03
<b>Pajarito Canyon:</b>														
Pajarito at Rio Grande	09/11	1	<1.3	1,400	0.4	<1.3	12.0	<0.17	<0.4	<0.50	2.9	1.5	3,000	<0.03
Pajarito at Rio Grande	09/11	R												<0.03
<b>Water Canyon:</b>														
Water at Rio Grande	09/12	1	1.7	13,000	2.0	<1.3	150.0	0.83	<0.4	5.10	9.9	7.7	12,000	0.03
Water at Rio Grande	09/12	R												0.04
<b>Ancho Canyon:</b>														
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	1	1.7	9,500	2.0	2.9	140.0	0.57	0.4	5.10	7.6	7.7	9,700	0.05
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	R												0.05
<b>Chaquehui Canyon:</b>														
Chaquehui at Rio Grande	09/13	1	1.8	12,000	3.0	3.0	140.0	0.89	<0.4	4.30	9.1	13.0	12,000	0.05
Chaquehui at Rio Grande	09/13	R												0.05
<b>Frijoles Canyon:</b>														
Frijoles at Rio Grande	09/14	1	2.4	11,000	2.0	<1.3	170.0	0.67	<0.4	6.70	13.0	14.0	16,000	0.04
Frijoles at Rio Grande	09/14	R												0.03

Table 5-23. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Sediments for 1995 (mg/kg) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	Ag	Al	As	B	Ba	Be	Cd	Co	Cr	Cu	Fe	Hg
<b>Reservoirs and Lakes on Rio Chama:</b>														
El Vado Upper	07/05	1	3.0	11,000	6.0	2.0	99.0	0.45	<0.4	6.80	13.0	9.0	19,000	
El Vado Upper	07/05	R	3.0	11,000	7.0	<1.0	100.0	0.54	<0.4	7.50	14.0	9.3	20,000	
El Vado Middle	07/05	1	3.0	7,900	6.0	1.0	80.0	0.45	<0.4	6.10	12.0	8.0	17,000	
El Vado Lower	07/05	1	3.0	7,600	6.0	<1.0	89.0	0.33	<0.4	6.40	10.0	9.0	17,000	
Heron Upper	07/05	1	3.0	20,000	34.0	1.0	130.0	0.89	<0.4	7.90	16.0	21.0	20,000	
Heron Middle	07/05	1	3.0	14,000	9.0	<1.0	130.0	0.73	<0.4	7.90	12.0	22.0	19,000	
Heron Lower	07/05	1	3.0	21,000	9.0	5.0	140.0	0.93	<0.4	8.40	18.0	23.0	21,000	
Abiquiu Upper	06/30	1	1.0	4,800	6.0	1.0	140.0	0.27	<0.4	3.60	6.5	8.0	8,700	
Abiquiu Middle	06/30	1	3.0	25,000	5.0	1.0	270.0	1.40	<0.4	9.40	22.0	22.0	22,000	
Abiquiu Lower	07/05	1	3.0	16,000	8.0	1.0	130.0	0.86	<0.4	8.00	13.0	22.0	19,000	
<b>Reservoirs and Lakes on Rio Grande (Colorado):</b>														
Rio Grande Upper	07/28	1	<1.0	8,900	5.0	<1.0	210.0	0.60	<0.4	9.30	4.1	13.0	20,000	0.05
Rio Grande Upper	07/28	R	<1.0	9,500	5.0	<1.0	220.0	0.67	<0.4	9.70	3.8	13.0	21,000	0.05
Rio Grande Middle	07/28	1	<1.0	12,000	4.0	<1.0	210.0	0.67	<0.4	8.50	5.0	11.0	22,000	0.04
Rio Grande Middle	07/28	R												0.06
Rio Grande Lower	07/28	1	<1.0	12,000	3.0	<1.0	200.0	0.70	<0.5	7.70	5.5	12.0	20,000	0.05
Rio Grande Lower	07/28	R												0.05
Love Lake	07/28	1	<1.0	18,000	4.0	3.3	250.0	1.30	<0.7	4.60	9.6	7.5	14,000	0.05
Love Lake	07/28	R												0.05
<b>Reservoirs and Lakes on Rio Grande (New Mexico):</b>														
Cochiti Upper	06/09	1	<1.0	9,000	4.0	1.0	210.0	<0.08	<0.4	7.00	14.0	15.0	13,000	
Cochiti Upper	06/09	R	<1.0	8,600	4.0	5.0	210.0	<0.08	<0.4	5.80	12.0	14.0	12,000	
Cochiti Middle	06/09	1	<1.0	24,000	6.0	2.4	330.0	0.93	<0.4	11.00	22.0	23.0	22,000	
Cochiti Lower	06/09	1	2.0	13,000	5.0	3.0	170.0	0.35	<0.4	7.80	15.0	17.0	16,000	
Santa Clara Pond 4	05/19	1	<1.0	18,000	4.0		180.0	2.70	<0.4	4.00	14.0	8.6	15,000	0.02
Santa Clara Pond 4	05/19	R												0.02
<b>Detection Limits</b>			1.0	17	0.5	1.0	0.14	0.08	0.4	0.50	0.5	0.5	14	0.01
<b>SAL<sup>d</sup></b>			380	78,000			5,300		38	4,600	30.0 <sup>e</sup>	2,800		23

Table 5-23. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Sediments for 1995 (mg/kg) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	Mn	Mo	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Sn	Sr	Tl	V	Zn
<b>Regional Stations</b>													
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	09/15	1	230	<0.9	3.8	<4.1	<0.25	0.3	<4.0	71.0	<0.25	14.0	20.0
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	09/15	R											
Rio Grande at Otowi (wdth intgrt)	09/15	1	91	1.3	<1.2	<4.1	<0.25	<0.3	<4.0	8.1	<0.25	3.3	8.0
Rio Grande at Otowi (wdth intgrt)	09/15	R											
Rio Grande at Frijoles (bank)	09/13	1	58	1.7	<2.0	<4.0	<0.25	<0.1	<4.0	7.7	<0.25	2.0	6.1
Rio Grande at Frijoles (bank)	09/13	R											
Rio Grande at Frijoles (wdth intgrt)	09/13	1	63	<0.9	3.0	<4.0	<0.25	0.1	<4.0	8.3	<0.25	4.8	11.0
Rio Grande at Frijoles (wdth intgrt)	09/13	R	43	1.5	<2.0	<4.0	<0.25	0.1	<4.0	5.8	<0.25	2.5	7.9
<b>Acid/Pueblo Canyons:</b>													
Acid Weir	05/02	1	170	<0.9	<2.0	25.0	<0.40	<0.3	<3.0	3.1	<0.40	6.0	35.0
Pueblo 1	05/02	1	260	<2.0	<2.0	14.0	<0.40	<0.3	<3.0	3.1	<0.40	6.0	35.0
Pueblo 2	05/02	1	210	<0.9	<2.0	4.1	<0.40	0.3	<10.0	2.3	<0.40	6.3	55.0
Hamilton Bend Spring	05/02	1	330	<0.9	<2.0	9.0	<0.40	<0.3	8.5	8.1	<0.40	4.0	41.0
Pueblo 3	05/03	1	55	<0.9	<2.0	<4.0	<0.40	0.5	8.0	5.2	<0.40	3.8	39.0
Pueblo at SR-502	05/02	1	210	<0.9	<2.0	11.0	<0.40	0.3	<3.0	8.1	<0.40	8.6	57.0
<b>DP/Los Alamos Canyons:</b>													
Los Alamos at Bridge	05/02	1	120	<0.9	<5.0	14.0	<0.40	<0.3	<3.0	6.6	<0.40	7.3	21.0
Los Alamos at LAO-1	05/02	1	180	<0.9	<5.0	17.0	<0.40	0.3	<3.0	9.9	<0.40	6.8	40.0
Los Alamos at GS-1	05/03	1	54	<0.9	<2.0	4.8	<0.40	<0.3	<8.0	1.8	<0.40	<2.0	9.7
DPS-1	07/13	1	120	<0.9	2.1	8.8	<0.40	0.3	6.5	2.7	<0.40	3.7	30.0
DPS-4	05/03	1	160	<3.0	<2.0	12.0	<0.40	<0.3	<3.0	4.1	<0.40	4.4	29.0
Los Alamos at LAO-3	05/03	1	150	<0.9	2.1	<10.0	<0.40	0.3	<3.0	6.5	<0.40	5.4	27.0
Los Alamos at LAO-4.5	05/02	1	98	<0.9	<2.0	<4.0	<0.40	<0.3	<7.0	2.7	<0.40	1.6	13.0
Los Alamos at SR-4	05/03	1	120	<0.9	<2.0	10.0	<0.40	0.3	<3.0	3.7	<0.40	3.9	26.0
<b>Sandia Canyon:</b>													
Sandia at Rio Grande	09/11	1	350	1.8	8.9	13.0	<0.25	0.3	<4.0	29.0	<0.25	20.0	77.0
Sandia at Rio Grande	09/11	R											
<b>Mortandad Canyon:</b>													
Mortandad near CMR Building	05/04	1	190	5.0	2.0	<5.0	<0.40	<0.3	<3.0	7.1	<0.40	7.1	48.0
Mortandad near CMR Building	05/04	R	260	1.9	1.7	10.0	<0.40	<0.3	<3.0	6.7	<0.40	6.5	37.0
Mortandad west of GS-1	05/22	1	270	<2.0	<2.0	<9.0	<0.40	<0.3	<3.0	3.0	<0.40	4.8	16.0
Mortandad at GS-1	05/22	1	150	2.0	<2.0	<10.0	<0.40	<0.3	<8.0	1.8	<0.40	2.6	19.0



**Table 5-23. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Sediments for 1995 (mg/kg) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	Mn	Mo	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Sn	Sr	Tl	V	Zn
<b>Mortandad Canyon (Cont.):</b>													
Mortandad at MCO-5	05/04	1	110	<2.0	<2.0	<4.0	<0.40	<0.3	<7.0	2.2	<0.40	2.3	18.0
Mortandad at MCO-5	05/04	R	110	<2.0	<2.0	<8.0	<0.40	<0.3	<8.0	2.5	<0.40	2.3	21.0
Mortandad at MCO-7	05/04	1	130	<2.0	<2.0	<8.0	<0.40	<0.3	<6.0	3.4	<0.40	3.0	18.0
Mortandad at MCO-9	05/04	1	210	<2.0	<2.0	<8.0	<0.40	<0.3	<3.0	4.7	<0.40	3.7	27.0
Mortandad at MCO-13 (A-5)	05/04	1	550	<2.0	<2.0	<10.0	<0.40	0.3	<6.0	6.0	<0.40	6.3	30.0
Mortandad A-6	05/31	1	300	<0.9	<2.0	11.6	<0.25	0.3	<4.0	8.1	<0.25	9.4	56.0
Mortandad A-6	05/31	R											
Mortandad A-7	05/31	1	140	<0.9	<2.0	4.1	<0.25	0.2	<4.0	<0.3	<0.25	4.4	20.0
Mortandad A-7	05/31	R											
Mortandad A-8	05/31	1	280	<0.9	<2.0	7.6	<0.25	0.2	<4.0	6.4	<0.25	9.0	33.0
Mortandad A-8	05/31	R											
Mortandad at SR-4 (A-9)	05/31	1	370	<0.9	<2.0	9.2	<0.25	0.3	<4.0	9.4	<0.25	11.0	31.0
Mortandad at SR-4 (A-9)	05/31	R											
Mortandad A-10	05/31	1	300	<0.9	<2.0	6.8	<0.25	0.3	<4.0	8.1	<0.25	13.0	30.0
Mortandad A-10	05/31	R											
Mortandad at Rio Grande (A-11)	09/11	1	410	<0.9	8.2	8.5	<0.25	0.6	<4.0	32.0	<0.25	15.0	40.0
Mortandad at Rio Grande (A-11)	09/11	R											
<b>Cañada Ancha:</b>													
Cañada Ancha at Rio Grande	09/11	1	130	<0.9	5.8	<4.0	<0.25	0.2	<4.0	25.0	<0.25	13.0	15.0
Cañada Ancha at Rio Grande	09/11	R											
<b>Pajarito Canyon:</b>													
Pajarito at Rio Grande	09/11	1	46	<0.9	<2.0	<4.0	<0.25	0.1	<4.0	3.5	<0.25	3.8	13.0
Pajarito at Rio Grande	09/11	R											
<b>Water Canyon:</b>													
Water at Rio Grande	09/12	1	330	<0.9	6.3	13.0	<0.25	0.5	<4.0	27.0	<0.25	13.0	44.0
Water at Rio Grande	09/12	R											
<b>Ancho Canyon:</b>													
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	1	480	<0.9	6.2	8.5	<0.25	0.5	<4.0	27.0	<0.25	13.0	35.0
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	R											
<b>Chaquehui Canyon:</b>													
Chaquehui at Rio Grande	09/13	1	330	<0.9	7.3	14.0	<0.25	0.6	<4.0	34.0	0.25	14.0	47.0
Chaquehui at Rio Grande	09/13	R											

**Table 5-23. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Sediments for 1995 (mg/kg) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	Mn	Mo	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Sn	Sr	Tl	V	Zn
<b>Frijoles Canyon:</b>													
Frijoles at Rio Grande	09/14	1	540	<0.9	11.0	17.0	<0.25	0.6	<4.0	63.0	<0.25	20.0	81.0
Frijoles at Rio Grande	09/14	R											
<b>Reservoirs on Rio Chama:</b>													
El Vado Upper	07/05	1	270		10.0	7.0	<0.16	0.5	<4.0	30.0	0.40	36.0	53.0
El Vado Upper	07/05	R	270		11.0	5.0	<0.16	0.4	<4.0	30.0	0.40	37.0	51.0
El Vado Middle	07/05	1	250		10.0	5.0	<0.16	0.4	<4.0	29.0	0.31	33.0	44.0
El Vado Lower	07/05	1	270		10.0	7.0	<0.16	0.5	<4.0	32.0	0.31	26.0	45.0
Heron Upper	07/05	1	270		19.0	9.0	<0.16	1.0	<4.0	65.0	0.70	30.0	72.0
Heron Middle	07/05	1	460		18.0	11.0	<0.16	1.0	<4.0	69.0	0.58	21.0	71.0
Heron Lower	07/05	1	400		19.0	10.0	<0.16	1.0	<4.0	70.0	0.74	33.0	73.0
Abiquiu Upper	06/30	1	230		8.0	4.0	<0.16	0.5	<4.0	68.0	0.26	14.0	31.0
Abiquiu Middle	06/30	1	470		22.0	13.0	<0.16	0.8	<4.0	97.0	0.50	27.0	68.0
Abiquiu Lower	07/05	1	340		17.0	11.0	<0.16	0.9	<4.0	73.0	0.70	23.0	70.0
<b>Reservoirs and Lakes on Rio Grande (Colorado):</b>													
Rio Grande Upper	07/28	1	830	<0.9	3.7	12.2	<0.25	0.6	<4.0	67.0	0.25	32.0	72.0
Rio Grande Upper	07/28	R	890	<0.9	6.0	11.7	<0.25	0.6	<4.0	70.0	0.25	33.0	78.0
Rio Grande Middle	07/28	1	520	<0.9	5.3	11.7	<0.25	0.8	<4.0	72.0	0.25	38.0	75.0
Rio Grande Middle	07/28	R											
Rio Grande Lower	07/28	1	350	<0.9	7.2	10.9	<0.25	0.8	<4.0	71.0	0.25	31.0	67.0
Rio Grande Lower	07/28	R											
Love Lake	07/28	1	310	<0.9	6.2	11.4	<0.25	2.0	<4.0	70.0	0.25	24.0	53.0
Love Lake	07/28	R											
<b>Reservoirs and Lakes on Rio Grande (New Mexico):</b>													
Cochiti Upper	06/09	1	420	<0.9	11.0	18.0	<0.20	0.6	<4.0	100.0	<0.20	19.0	62.0
Cochiti Upper	06/09	R	340	<0.9	10.0	11.0	<0.20	0.5	<4.0	97.0	<0.20	22.0	50.0
Cochiti Middle	06/09	1	790	0.9	19.0	19.0	<0.20	0.7	<4.0	200.0	<0.20	26.0	90.0
Cochiti Lower	06/09	1	490	<0.9	13.0	20.0	<0.20	0.6	<4.0	78.0	0.20	26.0	66.0
Santa Clara Pond 4	05/19	1	670		7.7	24.0	<0.25	1.7			<0.25	17.0	120.0
Santa Clara Pond 4	05/19	R											

**Table 5-23. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Sediments for 1995 (mg/kg) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	Mn	Mo	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Sn	Sr	Tl	V	Zn
<b>Detection Limits</b>			0.2	0.9	2.0	0.2	0.20	0.3	4.0	0.3	0.20	0.5	1.0
SAL <sup>d</sup>			390	380	1,500	400	31	380		46,000	6.4	540	23,000

<sup>a</sup>Code: 1—primary analysis; R—laboratory replicate.

<sup>b</sup>Measurement uncertainty is approximately 10% of reported value.

<sup>c</sup>Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified detection limit on the analytical method.

<sup>d</sup>SAL—Screening Action Level; Environmental Restoration, 1995; see text for details.

<sup>e</sup>SAL value for hexavalent Cr; SAL value for trivalent Cr is 80,000 mg/kg.

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**Table 5-24. Number of Analyses Above Analytical Limit of Quantitation for Organic Compounds in Sediment Samples for 1995**

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	Volatile	Semivolatile	HE <sup>b</sup>
<b>Number of Compounds Analyzed</b>			59	69	14
<b>Area G, TA-54</b>					
G-1	05/05	1	0	0	
G-2	05/05	1	0	0	
G-3	05/05	1	0	0	
G-4	05/05	1	0	0	
G-5	05/05	1	0	0	
G-6	05/05	1	0	0	
G-7	05/05	1	0	0	
G-8	05/05	1	0	0	
G-9	05/05	1	0	0	
<b>Water Canyon</b>					
Water at Rio Grande	09/12	1			0
<b>Ancho Canyon</b>					
Ancho at Rio Grande	09/12	1			0
<b>Chaquehui Canyon</b>					
Chaquehui at Rio Grande	09/13	1			0
<b>Frijoles Canyon</b>					
Frijoles at Rio Grande	09/14	1			0

<sup>a</sup>Code: 1—primary analysis.  
<sup>b</sup>High explosive.

**Table 5-25. Total Trihalomethanes in Drinking Water (µg/L)**

Sample Location	1995 Quarters			
	First	Second	Third	Fourth
<b>Distribution Sites:</b>				
LA Airport	4.80	5.90	8.80	8.70
White Rock Fire Station	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
North Community Fire Station	1.10	0.00	0.00	3.20
S-Site Fire Station	2.10	0.60	4.50	3.40
Barranca Mesa School	1.10	0.50	3.30	7.80
TA-33, Bldg. 114	4.90	8.60	11.30	11.50
1995 Average	3.84			
EPA MCL (Maximum Contaminant Level)	100.00			
Laboratory PQL (Practical Quantitation Level)	2.00			

**Table 5-26. Radioactivity in Drinking Water (pCi/L)**

Sample Location	Gross Alpha			Gross Beta		
	Calibration Std.	Value	(Uncertainty)	Calibration Std.	Value	(Uncertainty)
<b>Entry Points to Distribution:</b>						
Pajarito Booster #2	<sup>241</sup> Am	1.20	(0.50)	<sup>137</sup> Cs	2.50	(0.90)
	Natural uranium	1.30	(0.50)	<sup>90</sup> Sr, <sup>90</sup> Y	2.40	(0.80)
Guaje Booster #2	<sup>241</sup> Am	0.30	(0.40)	<sup>137</sup> Cs	1.60	(1.10)
	Natural uranium	0.30	(0.40)	<sup>90</sup> Sr, <sup>90</sup> Y	1.50	(1.10)
Pajarito Well Field-PM1	<sup>241</sup> Am	2.00	(0.60)	<sup>137</sup> Cs	3.60	(0.90)
	Natural uranium	2.30	(0.60)	<sup>90</sup> Sr, <sup>90</sup> Y	3.50	(0.90)
Pajarito Well Field-PM3	<sup>241</sup> Am	0.60	(0.50)	<sup>137</sup> Cs	3.80	(1.10)
	Natural uranium	0.70	(0.60)	<sup>90</sup> Sr, <sup>90</sup> Y	3.60	(1.10)
EPA Maximum Contaminant Level		15.00			NA	
EPA Screening Level		5.00			50.00	

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**Table 5-27. Radon in Drinking Water (pCi/L)**

Sample Location	Value (Uncertainty)	
Entry Points to Distribution:		
Pajarito Booster #2	243	(16)
Guaje Booster #2	507	(29)
Pajarito Well Field-PM1	227	(15)
Pajarito Well Field-PM3	325	(20)
Well Heads:		
Pajarito Well Field-PM1	293	(19)
Pajarito Well Field-PM2	629	(35)
Pajarito Well Field-PM3	318	(20)
Pajarito Well Field-PM5	487	(28)
Guaje Well Field-G1A	360	(21)
Guaje Well Field-G1	358	(21)
Guaje Well Field-G2	263	(17)
Guaje Well Field-G6	479	(27)
Proposed EPA Maximum Contaminant Level	300	

**Table 5-28. Summary of Total Committed Effective Dose Equivalent from the Ingestion of Drinking Water Collected during 1995**

(mrem/yr)	Committed Effective Dose Equivalent <sup>a</sup>
Average Consumption <sup>b</sup>	0.317 ( $\pm$ 0.095) <sup>c</sup>
Maximum Consumption <sup>b</sup>	0.446 ( $\pm$ 0.133) <sup>c</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Based on DOE dose conversion factors (DOE 1988b).

<sup>b</sup>See Table 3-1 for consumption rates.

<sup>c</sup> $\pm$ 2 sigma in parenthesis; to convert to  $\mu$ Sv multiply by 10.

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**Table 5-29. Total Committed Effective Dose Equivalent from the Ingestion of Drinking Water Collected during 1995**

<b>Well or Water System</b>	<b>Maximum Consumption<sup>a</sup> Total Committed Effective Dose Equivalent<sup>b</sup> (mrem/yr)</b>	<b>Average Consumption<sup>a</sup> Total Committed Effective Dose Equivalent<sup>b</sup> (mrem/yr)</b>
<b>Los Alamos &amp; White Rock<sup>c</sup></b>	0.43 (± 0.12) <sup>d</sup>	0.32 (± 0.10)
<b>Pueblo of San Ildefonso</b>		
Westside Artesian	3.86 (± 1.49)	2.86 (± 1.11)
Halladay House	1.38 (± 0.67)	1.02 (± 0.50)
Pajarito Pump 1	1.61 (± 0.67)	1.19 (± 0.50)
Pajarito Pump 2	1.25 (± 0.76)	0.93 (± 0.56)
Martinez House	1.27 (± 0.62)	0.94 (± 0.46)
Otowi House	0.82 (± 0.52)	0.61 (± 0.39)
New Community	3.74 (± 1.65)	2.76 (± 1.22)
Sanchez House	1.81 (± 1.00)	1.34 (± 0.74)
<b>Santa Clara Pueblo</b>		
Community Above Village	1.65 (± 0.43)	1.22 (± 0.32)
Naranjo House	1.04 (± 0.58)	0.77 (± 0.43)
Enos House	0.82 (± 0.51)	0.61 (± 0.38)
Community New Subdivision	0.32 (± 0.35)	0.24 (± 0.26)
<b>Cochiti Pueblo</b>		
Cochiti Lake 1	0.35 (± 0.34)	0.26 (± 0.25)
Cochiti 1	0.57 (± 0.47)	0.42 (± 0.35)
Cochiti Golf Course	0.23 (± 0.49)	0.17 (± 0.37)
Tetilla Peak	0.98 (± 0.55)	0.74 (± 0.41)
Cochiti Elementary	0.63 (± 0.55)	0.47 (± 0.41)
<b>Jemez Pueblo</b>		
North Tank	0.14 (± 0.41)	0.10 (± 0.30)

<sup>a</sup>See Table 3-1 for consumption rates.

<sup>b</sup>CEDE for consumption of water collected from the Los Alamos/White Rock distribution system are based on DOE dose conversion factors (DOE 1988b); whereas the CEDE for consumption of water collected from non-DOE sources are based on dose conversion factors listed in FGR#11 (EPA1988).

<sup>c</sup>Modified by the contribution of each well to the distribution system.

<sup>d</sup>±2 sigma in parenthesis; to convert to µSv multiply by 10.

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**Table 5-30. Summary of the Maximum Committed Effective Dose Equivalent by Radionuclide from Consuming Drinking Water Using the Maximum Consumption Rate<sup>a</sup>**

Maximum CEDE <sup>b</sup> (mrem)								
Well or Water System	<sup>90</sup> Sr	<sup>137</sup> Cs	Total U	<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>239,240</sup> Pu	<sup>3</sup> H	<sup>241</sup> Am	Total CEDE
Los Alamos & White Rock <sup>c</sup>								
Distribution System	0.11	0.011	0.082	0.013	0.095	0.001	0.243	0.56
Pueblo of San Ildefonso								
Westside Artesian	1.08	0.025	4.03	0.005	0.114	<0.001	0.106	5.36
Halladay House	0.249	0.027	1.46	0.077	0.085	<0.001	0.151	2.05
Pajarito Pump 1	0.207	0.034	1.83	0.044	0.078	<0.001	0.090	2.28
Pajarito Pump 2	0.187	0.039	1.29	0.014	0.171	<0.001	0.311	2.01
Martinez House	0.207	0.049	1.27	0.068	0.093	<0.001	0.207	1.89
Otowi House	0.321	0.083	0.628	0.030	0.094	0.005	0.179	1.34
New Community	0.177	0.086	4.34	0.501	0.092	<0.001	0.186	5.38
Sanchez House	0.228	0.102	1.83	0.367	0.119	<0.001	0.159	2.81
Santa Clara Pueblo								
Community Above Village	0.040	0.053	1.52	0.053	0.153	<0.001	0.252	2.07
Naranjo House	0.166	0.017	0.995	0.131	0.191	<0.001	0.116	1.62
Enos House	0.207	0.140	0.533	0.100	0.168	<0.001	0.181	1.33
Community New Subdivision	0.446	0.049	0.021	0.033	0.041	<0.001	0.088	0.68
Cochiti Pueblo								
Cochiti Lake 1	0.321	0.058	0.044	0.009	0.026	<0.001	0.229	0.69
Cochiti 1	0.394	0.107	0.117	0.070	0.127	<0.001	0.229	1.04
Cochiti Golf Course	0.218	0.106	0.004	0.049	0.165	<0.001	0.186	0.73
Tetilla Peak	0.187	0.180	0.767	0.491	0.036	0.002	0.327	1.55
Cochiti Elementary	0.259	0.060	0.509	0.119	0.106	<0.001	0.133	1.19
Jemez Pueblo								
North Tank	0.166	0.006	0.019	0.063	0.142	0.003	0.144	0.54
CEDE from Analytical Detection Limits <sup>d</sup>								
	0.207	0.049	0.008	0.061	0.067	<0.001	0.069	0.46

<sup>a</sup>See Table 3-1 for consumption rates

<sup>b</sup>CEDE + 2 sigma; CEDE for consumption of water collected from the Los Alamos/White Rock distribution system are based on DOE dose conversion factors (DOE 1988), whereas the CEDE for consumption of water collected from non-DOE sources are based on dose conversion factors listed in FGR #11 (EPA1988); to convert to  $\mu$ Sv multiply by 10.

<sup>c</sup>Modified by the contribution of each well to the distribution system.

<sup>d</sup>CEDEs below this detection limit CEDE represent the lower limit possible for calculated doses and are not representative of a positive dose value.



**Table 5-31. Inorganic Constituents in Drinking Water (mg/L)**

Sample Location	As	Ba	Be	Cd	Cr	F	CN	Hg	Ni	NO <sub>3</sub> (as N)	Se	Sb	Tl
<b>Entry Points:</b>													
Pajarito Booster #2	0.002	<0.1	<0.001	<0.001	0.004	0.3	<0.02	<0.0002	<0.01		<0.005	<0.001	<0.001
Guaje Booster #2	0.014	<0.1	<0.001	<0.001	0.005	0.6	<0.02	<0.0002	<0.01		<0.005	<0.001	<0.001
Pajarito Well Field-PM1	0.002	<0.1	<0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.3	<0.02	<0.0002	<0.01		<0.005	<0.001	<0.001
Pajarito Well Field-PM3	0.002	<0.1	<0.001	<0.001	0.003	0.3	<0.02	<0.0002	<0.01		<0.005	<0.001	<0.001
<b>Wellheads:</b>													
Pajarito Well Field-PM1										0.5			
Pajarito Well Field-PM2										0.3			
Pajarito Well Field-PM3										0.4			
Pajarito Well Field-PM5										0.3			
Guaje Well Field-G1A										0.4			
Guaje Well Field-G1										0.4			
Guaje Well Field-G2										0.4			
Guaje Well Field-G6										0.5			
EPA Maximum Contam. Level	0.05 <sup>a</sup>	2.0	0.004	0.005	0.1	4.0	0.2	0.002	0.1	10.0	0.05	0.006	0.002
<sup>a</sup> Proposed SDWA Primary Drinking Water Standard.													

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**Table 5-32. Lead and Copper in Drinking Water at Residential Taps**

Values	Lead	Copper
Values less than or equal to detection limit	35 samples	26 samples
Values detectable but less than action level	1 samples	10 samples
Values greater than action level	0 samples	0 samples
<b>Totals</b>	36 samples	36 samples
Detection Limit	5 µg/L	50 µg/L
90th Percentile Value	<5 µg/L	60 µg/L
EPA Action Level	15 µg/L	1300 µg/L

**Table 5-33. Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) in Drinking Water in 1995 (µg/L)**

Sample Location	VOC Group I (63 Compounds)	
	Initial (2/27/95)	Confirmation (4/21/95)
Pajarito Well Field-PM1	N <sup>a</sup>	
Pajarito Well Field-PM2	N <sup>a</sup>	
Pajarito Well Field-PM3	1.70 ppb <sup>b</sup>	N <sup>a</sup>
Pajarito Well Field-PM5	N <sup>a</sup>	
Guaje Well Field-G1A	0.60 ppb <sup>b</sup>	N <sup>a</sup>
Guaje Well Field-G1	0.50 ppb <sup>b</sup>	N <sup>a</sup>
Guaje Well Field-G2	0.90 ppb <sup>b</sup>	N <sup>a</sup>
Guaje Well Field-G6	N <sup>a</sup>	

<sup>a</sup>N = None detected above the Laboratory's Practical Quantitation Limit (PQL).

<sup>b</sup>Methylene chloride (Dichloromethane), SDWA MCL = 5.0 ppb.

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**Table 5-34. Synthetic Organic Compounds (SOCs) in Drinking Water (µg/L) in 1995 by EPA Method**

Sample Location	EDB 504.0	PCB/Pest 505	Acid Herbicide 515.1	Carbamate Pest 531.1	Glyphosate 547	Endothall 548.1	Diquat 549.1
<b>1st Quarter 1995</b>							
<b>Wellhead Composites:</b>							
PM-3, G-6	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
PM-2, PM-5	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
PM-1, G-1	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
G-2, G-1A	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
<b>2nd Quarter 1995</b>							
<b>Wellhead Composites:</b>							
PM-1, PM-2	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
PM-3, PM-4	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
PM-5, G-1	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
G-2, G-6	N	N	N	N	N	N	N

N: None detected at concentrations greater than the method PQL (Practical Quantitation Limit).

<b>Dioxin 1613A</b>	
<b>1st Quarter 1995</b>	
<b>Wellheads:</b>	
Pajarito Well Field-PM1	N
Pajarito Well Field-PM2	N
Pajarito Well Field-PM3	N
Pajarito Well Field-PM5	N
Guaje Well Field-G1A	N
Guaje Well Field-G1	N
Guaje Well Field-G2	N
Guaje Well Field-G6	N

N: None detected at concentrations greater than the MDL (Method Detection Limit).

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**Table 5-35. Bacteria in Drinking Water at Distribution System Taps in 1995**

Month	No. of Samples	No. of Positive Tests		
	Collected	Coliform	Fecal Coliform	Noncoliform
Jan	46	0	0	0
Feb	50	1	0	1
Mar	46	0	0	1
Apr	49	1	1	1
May	47	0	0	2
Jun	46	0	0	1
Jul	45	0	0	2
Aug	46	0	0	1
Sep	44	0	0	1
Oct	46	0	0	2
Nov	45	0	0	1
Dec	45	0	0	1
<b>Total 1995</b>	555	2	1	14

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)<sup>a</sup>

b

c

<sup>a</sup>The MCL for coliforms is positive samples not to exceed 5% of the monthly total.

<sup>b</sup>The MCL for fecal coliforms is no coliform positive repeat samples following a fecal coliform positive sample.

<sup>c</sup>There is no MCL for noncoliforms.

Table 5-36. Radiochemical Analyses of Alluvial Groundwater for 1995 (pCi/L<sup>a</sup>)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>		<sup>3</sup> H	<sup>90</sup> Sr	<sup>137</sup> Cs	U (μg/L)	<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>239,240</sup> Pu	<sup>241</sup> Am	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	Gross Gamma
Acid/Pueblo Canyons:													
APCO-1	03/29	uf	1	−200 ± 300 <sup>c</sup>	4.2 ± 1	.78 ± 1.17	.68 ± .09	.004 ± .009	.024 ± .016	.06 ± .023	−1 ± 1	12 ± 1	990 ± 50
APCO-1	03/29	f	1		0 ± 1	.82 ± .41	.6 ± .06	.004 ± .012	.034 ± .017	.047 ± .016	0 ± 1	14 ± 1	50 ± 50
APCO-1	06/23	uf	1	−200 ± 300	3.2 ± 2.7	6.6 ± 9.9	.39 ± .05	.02 ± .011	.105 ± .021	14 ± 21 <sup>d</sup>	2 ± 1	17 ± 1	180 ± 50
APCO-1	06/23	uf	R1	1,200 ± 400									
APCO-1	06/23	uf	2							.076 ± .02			
APCO-1	06/23	f	1	1,100 ± 300	1.4 ± .9	12.7 ± 7.2	.37 ± .04	.005 ± .006	.025 ± .012	4.2 ± 6.3 <sup>d</sup>	0 ± 1	17 ± 1	190 ± 50
APCO-1	06/23	f	2							.018 ± .016			
DP/Los Alamos Canyons:													
LAO-3	03/29	uf	1	400 ± 300	59.6 ± 3.6	1.7 ± 2.55	.21 ± .02	−.006 ± .005	−.005 ± .007	.02 ± .019	2.3 ± 3	120 ± 10	430 ± 60
LAO-3	03/29	f	1	−100 ± 300	57.7 ± 3.5	2.22 ± .77	.2 ± .02	.002 ± .005	.011 ± .011	.017 ± .015	2 ± 3	130 ± 10	30 ± 50
LAO-3	06/23	uf	1	0 ± 300	27.1 ± 4.8	14 ± 21	.16 ± .02	.009 ± .01	.025 ± .014	−26 ± 39 <sup>d</sup>	0 ± 2	88 ± 9	130 ± 50
LAO-3	06/23	uf	2							.012 ± .01			
LAO-3	06/23	f	1	300 ± 300	29.6 ± 1.8	13 ± 20	.32 ± .03	.014 ± .01	.03 ± .013	1.1 ± 1.7 <sup>d</sup>	−1 ± 2	87 ± 9	150 ± 50
LAO-3	06/23	f	2							.004 ± .007			
LAO-3A	03/28	uf	1	400 ± 300	68.7 ± 4.3	<.47 <sup>e</sup>	.38 ± .06	.002 ± .008	.018 ± .012	.098 ± .026	0 ± 3	150 ± 20	60 ± 50
LAO-3A	03/28	f	1	400 ± 300	71.9 ± 4.4	<.73	.18 ± .03	.014 ± .011	.049 ± .018	.043 ± .021	3 ± 3	140 ± 10	60 ± 50
LAO-3A	06/23	uf	1	300 ± 300	47.8 ± 3.3	26 ± 39	.57 ± .06	.002 ± .008	.009 ± .011	4.4 ± 6.6 <sup>d</sup>	2 ± 2	99 ± 10	110 ± 40
LAO-3A	06/23	uf	2							.037 ± .019			
LAO-3A	06/23	f	1	100 ± 300	26.1 ± 1.8	18 ± 26	.34 ± .03	−.002 ± .004	−.001 ± .006	8 ± 12 <sup>d</sup>	2 ± 2	88 ± 9	80 ± 40
LAO-3A	06/23	f	2							.061 ± .018			
LAO-4.5	06/29	uf	1	100 ± 300	1.4 ± 1.3	1.3 ± 1.8	.17 ± .02	.006 ± .014	.058 ± .019	−28 ± 45 <sup>d</sup>	.2 ± 1	8 ± .9	40 ± 40
LAO-4.5	06/29	uf	R1					−.0047 ± .0037	−.0039 ± .0045				
LAO-4.5	06/29	uf	2							.041 ± .012			
LAO-4.5	06/29	f	1	100 ± 300	.8 ± 7.4	28 ± 8	.2 ± .02	−.002 ± .005	.015 ± .01	−20 ± 45 <sup>d</sup>	.7 ± .9	7 ± .9	20 ± 40
LAO-4.5	06/29	f	D1			11 ± 5	.17 ± .02			−7 ± 45 <sup>d</sup>			
LAO-4.5	06/29	f	R1	200 ± 400									70 ± 40
LAO-4.5	06/29	f	2							.105 ± .021			
LAO-4.5	06/29	f	R1							.079 ± .018			

Table 5-36. Radiochemical Analyses of Alluvial Groundwater for 1995 (pCi/L<sup>a</sup>) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>		<sup>3</sup> H	<sup>90</sup> Sr	<sup>137</sup> Cs	U (μg/L)	<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>239,240</sup> Pu	<sup>241</sup> Am	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	Gross Gamma
DP/Los Alamos Canyons (Cont.):													
LAO-4.5C	03/28	uf	1	100 ± 300	1.2 ± .8	<.7	.04 ± .01	.019 ± .012	−.002 ± .008	.07 ± .06	.2 ± .6	6.7 ± .8	70 ± 50
LAO-4.5C	03/28	f	1	200 ± 300	1.7 ± 1.3	<1.1	.08 ± .01	−.001 ± .006	.013 ± .008	.05 ± .024	.7 ± .7	6.7 ± .8	40 ± 50
LAO-4.5C	06/26	uf	1	100 ± 300	1.9 ± .6	13 ± 19	.21 ± .02	−.011 ± .005	.017 ± .015	.12 ± .028	3 ± 1	7 ± .9	70 ± 40
LAO-4.5C	06/26	uf	2							5.6 ± 8.4 <sup>d</sup>			
LAO-4.5C	06/26	uf	3							.021 ± .017			
LAO-4.5C	06/26	f	1	100 ± 300	1.3 ± 1.9	9.8 ± 4.6	.12 ± .01	.105 ± .025	.04 ± .017	.03 ± .017	2 ± .9	7 ± .8	130 ± 50
LAO-4.5C	06/26	f	2							71 ± 28 <sup>d</sup>			
LAO-4.5C	06/26	f	3							.05 ± .02			
LAO-6	03/30	ufd	1	300 ± 300	.7 ± 1	<1.22	.06 ± .01	.018 ± .012	.024 ± .014	.059 ± .029	.4 ± .7	4.9 ± .6	270 ± 60
LAO-6	03/30	ufd	R1					.008 ± .011	.015 ± .01	.075 ± .021			
LAO-6	03/30	uf	1	800 ± 300	1.2 ± .9	1.15 ± .54	.06 ± .01	−.013 ± .014	.023 ± .016	.052 ± .019	−.1 ± .6	5.2 ± .7	240 ± 50
LAO-6	03/30	uf	R1					−.007 ± .009	.019 ± .011	.056 ± .026			
LAO-6	03/30	fd	1	500 ± 300	.3 ± 1	<.83	.06 ± .01	.017 ± .011	.02 ± .012	.027 ± .018	.3 ± .6	5 ± .6	90 ± 50
LAO-6	03/30	fd	R1					.003 ± .01	−.011 ± .007	.048 ± .022			
LAO-6	03/30	f	1	400 ± 300	.9 ± 1.1	<1.09	.05 ± .01	.015 ± .013	.011 ± .014	.047 ± .026	−2.1 ± .5	−1.3 ± .2	160 ± 50
LAO-6	03/30	f	R1					.001 ± .007	.049 ± .016	.073 ± .022			
LAO-6	06/26	uf	1	100 ± 300	.6 ± .8	17 ± 7	.16 ± .02	.006 ± .007	.041 ± .014	.02 ± .014	2 ± .7	5 ± .7	30 ± 40
LAO-6	06/26	uf	2							9 ± 14 <sup>d</sup>			
LAO-6	06/26	uf	3							.043 ± .018			
LAO-6	06/26	f	1	200 ± 300	2.4 ± .8	16 ± 7	.09 ± .01	.01 ± .009	.015 ± .011	.037 ± .018	1 ± .7	6 ± .8	90 ± 40
LAO-6	06/26	f	2							94 ± 141 <sup>d</sup>			
LAO-6	06/26	f	3							.014 ± .011			
LAO-6A	03/28	uf	1	300 ± 300	1.3 ± .8	1.13 ± .48	.17 ± .02	.038 ± .017	.047 ± .019	.051 ± .02	.8 ± .7	4.9 ± .6	110 ± 50
LAO-6A	03/28	uf	R1					.005 ± .01	.02 ± .013	.038 ± .016			
LAO-6A	03/28	f	1	200 ± 300	1.7 ± 1.1	<.47	.19 ± .02	−.001 ± .011	.024 ± .012	.058 ± .02	−.4 ± .7	6.3 ± .8	80 ± 50
LAO-6A	03/28	f	R1					−.012 ± .006	.003 ± .008	.058 ± .02			
LAO-6A	06/26	uf	1	100 ± 300	1.2 ± .9	14 ± 21	.14 ± .01	.001 ± .011	.018 ± .01	.057 ± .02	1 ± .7	6 ± .8	0 ± 40
LAO-6A	06/26	uf	2							−7.2 ± 45 <sup>d</sup>			
LAO-6A	06/26	uf	3							.028 ± .014			
LAO-6A	06/26	f	1	100 ± 300	.8 ± .8	14 ± 7	.14 ± .02	−.008 ± .006	.007 ± .009	.065 ± .021	2 ± .8	5 ± .7	90 ± 40
LAO-6A	06/26	f	2							48 ± 23 <sup>d</sup>			
LAO-6A	06/26	f	3							.035 ± .019			

**Table 5-36. Radiochemical Analyses of Alluvial Groundwater for 1995 (pCi/L<sup>a</sup>) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	<sup>3</sup> H	<sup>90</sup> Sr	<sup>137</sup> Cs	U (μg/L)	<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>239,240</sup> Pu	<sup>241</sup> Am	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	Gross Gamma
<b>Mortandad Canyon:</b>												
MCO-4B	03/31	uf 1	23,700 ± 1,500	6.9 ± 1	2.03 ± .69	1.69 ± .17	.127 ± .027	.099 ± .023	.246 ± .039	19 ± 5	54 ± 6	90 ± 50
MCO-4B	03/31	f 1	26,100 ± 1,600	39.8 ± 2.6	<1.33	1.08 ± .11	.114 ± .026	.099 ± .023	.315 ± .043	12 ± 5	130 ± 10	160 ± 50
MCO-4B	06/27	uf 1	16,700 ± 1,200	42.4 ± 2.8	1.4 ± 2.2	1.59 ± .16	.022 ± .018	.075 ± .023	66 ± 21 <sup>d</sup>	12 ± 6	156 ± 11	210 ± 50
MCO-4B	06/27	uf 2							.38 ± .09			
MCO-4B	06/27	f 1	15,300 ± 1,200	49.3 ± 3.2	−10 ± 15	1.57 ± .16	.045 ± .019	.04 ± .018	−34 ± 51 <sup>d</sup>	0 ± 5	156 ± 11	210 ± 50
MCO-4B	06/27	f 2							.29 ± .09			
MCO-6	03/31	ufd 1	32,200 ± 1,800	25.1 ± 1.7	<1.22	1.49 ± .15	.036 ± .017	.039 ± .016	.253 ± .039	27 ± 7	100 ± 10	60 ± 50
MCO-6	03/31	uf 1	30,800 ± 1,700	21.7 ± 1.4	<.83	1.52 ± .17	.035 ± .016	.106 ± .025	.168 ± .032	14 ± 5	100 ± 10	50 ± 50
MCO-6	03/31	uf R1	31,500 ± 800									
MCO-6	03/31	fd 1	31,700 ± 1,700	22.2 ± 1.4	<1.44	1.46 ± .15	.037 ± .014	.092 ± .022	.212 ± .035	19 ± 5	98 ± 10	60 ± 50
MCO-6	03/31	f 1	30,900 ± 1,700	22.6 ± 1.5	<1.44	1.49 ± .15	.045 ± .017	.038 ± .016	.186 ± .031	−42 ± 9	110 ± 10	170 ± 50
MCO-6	06/27	ufd 1	20,200 ± 1,400	31.5 ± 1.9	−2.6 ± 18	1.83 ± .18	.042 ± .016	.026 ± .016	−30 ± 40 <sup>d</sup>	6 ± 5	123 ± 11	120 ± 50
MCO-6	06/27	ufd 2							.23 ± .037			
MCO-6	06/27	uf 1	19,500 ± 1,300	23.3 ± 1.4	−3.2 ± 4.8	1.84 ± .18	.044 ± .016	.031 ± .017	−26 ± 39 <sup>d</sup>	12 ± 5	123 ± 11	130 ± 50
MCO-6	06/27	uf 2							.303 ± .04			
MCO-6	06/27	fd 1	20,100 ± 1,400	30.6 ± 1.8	6 ± 10	1.87 ± .19	.04 ± .017	.035 ± .018	−11 ± 45 <sup>d</sup>	17 ± 6	123 ± 11	150 ± 50
MCO-6	06/27	fd 2							.258 ± .019			
MCO-6	06/27	fd R1							.243 ± .016			
MCO-6	06/27	f 1	21,000 ± 1,400	34.2 ± 2	5 ± 8	2.03 ± .3	.022 ± .011	.035 ± .014	−18 ± 45 <sup>d</sup>	12 ± 6	123 ± 11	180 ± 50
MCO-6	06/27	f 2							.217 ± .017			
MCO-6	06/27	f R1							.207 ± .016			
MCO-6B	03/31	uf 1	25,100 ± 1,500	43.1 ± 2.8	<1.44	1.08 ± .11	.043 ± .017	.022 ± .011	.305 ± .043	15 ± 5	140 ± 10	50 ± 50
MCO-6B	03/31	f 1	25,900 ± 1,600	4.5 ± .7	1.75 ± .72	1.72 ± .17	.062 ± .021	.062 ± .02	.25 ± .042	17 ± 5	57 ± 6	60 ± 50
MCO-7	03/30	ufd 1	20,200 ± 1,400	1 ± .8	<.73	1.22 ± .15	.006 ± .013	.02 ± .014	.292 ± .051	7 ± 3	38 ± 4	360 ± 60
MCO-7	03/30	ufd R1					−.007 ± .011	.01 ± .012	.196 ± .035			
MCO-7	03/30	uf 1	19,600 ± 1,400	.9 ± .8	<1.07	1.34 ± .16	.022 ± .014	.021 ± .015	.21 ± .036	12 ± 3	40 ± 4	240 ± 50
MCO-7	03/30	uf R1					.043 ± .017	.033 ± .016	.248 ± .054			
MCO-7	03/30	fd 1	20,800 ± 1,400	1 ± 1	<1.07	1.3 ± .22	.004 ± .007	.012 ± .013	.272 ± .045	17 ± 4	41 ± 4	60 ± 50
MCO-7	03/30	fd R1					−.011 ± .009	.014 ± .012	.201 ± .034			
MCO-7	03/30	f 1	20,700 ± 1,400	.2 ± 1	<.81	1.26 ± .18	.017 ± .013	.021 ± .012	.176 ± .038	8 ± 3	39 ± 4	200 ± 50
MCO-7	03/30	f R1					.023 ± .012	.014 ± .013	.185 ± .031			

**Table 5-36. Radiochemical Analyses of Alluvial Groundwater for 1995 (pCi/L<sup>a</sup>) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	<sup>3</sup> H	<sup>90</sup> Sr	<sup>137</sup> Cs	U (μg/L)	<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>239,240</sup> Pu	<sup>241</sup> Am	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	Gross Gamma
<b>Mortandad Canyon: (Cont.)</b>												
MCO-7	06/28	uf 1	19,100 ± 1,300	1.7 ± 3.1	−40 ± 18	2.23 ± .22	.017 ± .021	.025 ± .016	−38 ± 45 <sup>d</sup>	18 ± 5	59 ± 5	10 ± 40
MCO-7	06/28	uf R1								11 ± 4	56 ± 5	
MCO-7	06/28	uf 2							.223 ± .034			
MCO-7	06/28	f 1	19,700 ± 1,400	1.5 ± 1.1	−1.7 ± 18.1	1.78 ± .18	.008 ± .011	.058 ± .019	−7.6 ± 45 <sup>d</sup>	15 ± 5	53 ± 5	60 ± 40
MCO-7	06/28	f R1					.03 ± .0063	.0192 ± .0057				
MCO-7	06/28	f 2							.228 ± .038			
MCO-7	08/10	uf 1	19,200 ± 1,300	.9 ± .9	.55 ± .83	2.4 ± .24	.019 ± .011	.026 ± .014	.208 ± .034	9 ± 4	58 ± 6	−60 ± 50
MCO-7	08/10	uf R1	19,300 ± 600									
MCO-7	08/10	f 1	19,700 ± 1,400	.4 ± .9	.37 ± .56	1.82 ± .18	.037 ± .019	.02 ± .016	.208 ± .034	6 ± 2	56 ± 6	30 ± 50
MCO-7	08/10	f R1					.0113 ± .0058	.0235 ± .0067	.245 ± .036			
MCO-7A	03/31	uf 1	19,100 ± 1,300	1.3 ± .8	<1.33	1.81 ± .2	.021 ± .011	.052 ± .017	.12 ± .027	11 ± 3	45 ± 5	70 ± 50
MCO-7A	03/31	f 1	19,600 ± 1,400	1.5 ± .7	<1.44	1.85 ± .19	.053 ± .018	−.003 ± .01	.268 ± .042	16 ± 4	42 ± 4	70 ± 50
MCO-7A	06/28	uf 1	19,500 ± 1,300	1 ± 1.3	14 ± 5	1.89 ± .19	−.007 ± .009	.045 ± .017	−40 ± 45 <sup>d</sup>	14 ± 5	49 ± 5	−10 ± 40
MCO-7A	06/28	uf R1										20 ± 40
MCO-7A	06/28	uf 2							.207 ± .034			
MCO-7A	06/28	uf R1							.18 ± .03			
MCO-7A	06/28	f 1	21,000 ± 1,400	1.1 ± 1.1	16 ± 24	2.53 ± .35	.007 ± .01	.023 ± .015	−9 ± 45 <sup>d</sup>	22 ± 6	53 ± 5	40 ± 40
MCO-7A	06/28	f D1		1.2 ± 1.1		2.53 ± .25						
MCO-7A	06/28	f 2							.13 ± .05			
MCO-7A	08/10	uf 1	19,800 ± 1,400	.9 ± 1.1	.36 ± .54	3.13 ± .59	.047 ± .019	.01 ± .019	.207 ± .031	10 ± 4	61 ± 8	−20 ± 50
MCO-7A	08/10	uf D1		1.4 ± 1		3.11 ± .31						
MCO-7A	08/10	f 1	18,500 ± 1,300	1.1 ± 1.4	.63 ± .95	2.06 ± .21	.052 ± .018	−.023 ± .012	.251 ± .035	4 ± 2	54 ± 6	−50 ± 50
MT-4	03/27	uf 1	33,700 ± 1,800	0 ± .9	1.42 ± .69	1.46 ± .15	.014 ± .014	.021 ± .013	.261 ± .042	8 ± 3	20 ± 2	120 ± 50
MT-4	03/27	uf R1					.012 ± .011	.012 ± .016	.257 ± .038			
MT-4	03/27	f 1	36,800 ± 1,900	0 ± .8	<.59	1.64 ± .16	.029 ± .015	.024 ± .012	.367 ± .048	11 ± 4	21 ± 2	50 ± 50
MT-4	03/27	f R1					.044 ± .019	.035 ± .021	.364 ± .047			



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Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	<sup>3</sup> H	<sup>90</sup> Sr	<sup>137</sup> Cs	U (μg/L)	<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>239,240</sup> Pu	<sup>241</sup> Am	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	Gross Gamma
<b>Limits of Detection</b>			2,000	3	4	0.1	0.04	0.04	0.04	3	3	
<b>Water Quality Standards<sup>f</sup></b>												
DOE DCG for Public Dose			2,000,000	1,000	3,000	800	40	30	30			
DOE Drinking Water System DCG			80,000	40	120	30	1.6	1.2	1.2	30	1,000	
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard			20,000	8		20				15		
EPA Screening Level											50	
NMWQCC Groundwater Limit						5,000						

<sup>a</sup> Except where noted.<sup>b</sup> Codes: uf—unfiltered; f—filtered; d—field duplicate; 1—primary analysis; 2—secondary analysis; R1—lab replicate; D1—lab duplicate.<sup>c</sup> Radioactivity counting uncertainties (1 standard deviation, except <sup>3</sup>H-3 standard deviations) follow the ± sign. Radioactivity counting uncertainties are less than analytical method uncertainties. Values less than two standard deviations are considered a nondetection.<sup>d</sup> Result from <sup>241</sup>Am G method (direct counting GeLi detector). Other <sup>241</sup>Am measurements by the RAS (radiochemistry alpha spectroscopy) method.<sup>e</sup> Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified detection limit for the analytical method.<sup>f</sup> Standards given here for comparison only; see Appendix A.

Table 5-37. Chemical Quality of Alluvial Groundwater for 1995 (mg/L<sup>a</sup>)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	SiO <sub>2</sub>	Ca	Mg	K	Na	Cl	SO <sub>4</sub>	CO <sub>3</sub> Alkalinity	Total Alkalinity	F	PO <sub>4</sub> -P	NO <sub>3</sub> -N	CN	TDS <sup>c</sup>	TSS <sup>d</sup>	Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	pH <sup>e</sup>	Conductance (μS/cm)
<b>Acid/Pueblo Canyons:</b>																				
APCO-1	03/29	uf 1	68	24	5.6	21	63	37.1	6.9	<5 <sup>f</sup>	166	.52	3.9	13.8	<.01	240		82	7.58	401
APCO-1	03/29	uf R1						36.4	6.8											
APCO-1	03/29	f 1	70	25	5.8	16	68	36	6.8	<5	155	.51	3.4	4.3	<.01	298		86	7.68	395
APCO-1	06/23	uf 1		18.99	<3.89	14.44	64.44		10.11			.62	2.21	1.07	<.01					
APCO-1	06/23	uf D1		20	4	15.56	66.67													
APCO-1	06/23	f 1		18.99	<3.78	13.33	63.33		10.22			.63	2.22	1.1	<.01					
<b>DP/Los Alamos Canyons:</b>																				
LAO-3	03/29	uf 1	45	31	6.8	13	47	78.4	10.6	<5	71	.66	.09	7.3	<.01	222		105	7.2	391
LAO-3	03/29	f 1	44	32	6.7	12	48	78.3	10.6	<5	71	.63	.1	3.8	<.01	268		108	7.44	366
LAO-3	06/23	uf 1		16.77	<3.67	8	34.44		8.2			.91	<3.8	.058	<.01					
LAO-3	06/23	f 1		16.77	<3.67	7.22	33.33		8.17			.91	.18	.089	<.01					
LAO-3A	03/28	uf 1	43	27	5.7	8.2	45	87	10.8	<5	76	.68	.12	.34	<.01	278		90.2	7.07	403
LAO-3A	03/28	f 1	44	27	5.8	8.5	44	87	10.8	<5	74	.69	.09	.31	<.01	302		90.6	6.93	405
LAO-3A	03/28	f R1								<5	72	.67								
LAO-3A	06/23	uf 1		16.77	<3.78	8.78	34.44		8.29			.95	.16	2.26	<.01					
LAO-3A	06/23	f 1		16.77	<3.56	7.89	33.33		8.33			.95	<.02	.159	<.01					
LAO-3A	06/23	f D1							8.20				<.02	.159						
LAO-4.5	06/29	uf 1		13.33	<3.89	5.89	30		6.7			.92	.12	.066	<.01					
LAO-4.5	06/29	f 1		13.33	<3.78	5.78	30		6.72			.94	.1	.057	<.01					
LAO-4.5	06/29	f D1										.931								
LAO-4.5C	03/28	uf 1	36	11	3.5	4	28	44	7.8	<5	45	.7	.02	<.04	<.01	196		41.6	7.22	222
LAO-4.5C	03/28	f 1	37	12	3.7	4.6	28	43	7.8	<5	44	.71	.03	<.04	<.01	76		44.9	7.37	228
LAO-4.5C	03/28	f R1	38	11	3.7	4.3	28											42.4		
LAO-4.5C	06/26	uf 1		10.33	<3.44	<4.67	26.77		6.16			.84	.06	<.04	<.01					
LAO-4.5C	06/26	f 1		9.89	<3	<4.33	25.66		6.14			.84	.04	<.0	<.01					
LAO-6	03/30	ufd 1	38	12	3.9	2	29	39.6	7.3	<5	34	.42	.03	.57	<.01	140		46	7.39	205
LAO-6	03/30	uf 1	39	13	4.1	2.8	30	39.8	7.4	<5	34	.42	.02	.45	<.01	78		49	7.32	209
LAO-6	03/30	uf R1										.41								
LAO-6	03/30	fd 1	39	13	4.2	2.1	31	40	7.3	<5	35	.43	.03	4.6	<.01	198		49	7.32	214
LAO-6	03/30	f 1	40	12	3.8	2.2	28	39	7.4	<5	42	.35	.02	.28	<.01	122		45	7.43	216
LAO-6	06/26	uf 1		11.11	<3.67	<3.11	27.88		6.75			.54	.03	<.04	<.01					
LAO-6	06/26	f 1		12.22	<3.78	<3.89	27.88		6.6			.54	.03	.041	<.01					

Table 5-37. Chemical Quality of Alluvial Groundwater for 1995 (mg/L<sup>a</sup>) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	SiO <sub>2</sub>	Ca	Mg	K	Na	Cl	SO <sub>4</sub>	CO <sub>3</sub> Alkalinity	Total Alkalinity	F	PO <sub>4</sub> -P	NO <sub>3</sub> -N	CN	TDS <sup>c</sup>	TSS <sup>d</sup>	Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	pH <sup>e</sup>	Conductance (μS/cm)
<b>DP/Los Alamos Canyons (Cont.):</b>																				
LAO-6A	03/28	uf 1		9.7	3.1	2.8	25	40	7.2				.03	<.04	<.01	304		36.7	7.3	207
LAO-6A	03/28	f 1		9.7	3.2	2.7	25	40	7.2				.03	<.04	<.01	800		37.1	7.1	209
LAO-6A	03/28	f R1						39.9	7.1											
LAO-6A	06/26	uf 1		12.22	<3.89	<3.89	27.88		6.71			.53	.05	.051	<.01					
LAO-6A	06/26	f 1		13.33	<3.89	<3.33	27.88		6.63			.53	.03	.047	<.01					
LAO-6A	06/26	f D1							6.63				.02	.044	.01					
<b>Mortandad Canyon:</b>																				
MCO-4B	03/31	uf 1	38	30	2.6	22	70	17.6	19	<5	149	1.57	.08	15	<.01	350		85	7.78	463
MCO-4B	03/31	f 1	39	29	2.6	17	72	17.5	19.1	<5	152	1.58	.08	14.9	<.01	414		82	7.6	477
MCO-4B	03/31	f R1	39							<5	150									
MCO-4B	06/27	uf 1		26.77	<2.67	20	70		16.6			1.49	.08	13.11	<.01					
MCO-4B	06/27	uf D1		26.67	2.67	18.89	71.11													
MCO-4B	06/27	f 1		27.88	<2.56	18.99	72.22		16.66			1.49	.07	13	<.01					
MCO-6	03/31	ufd 1	38	28	2.6	19	83	13.4	15.7	<5	161	2.06	.16	18	<.01	372		80	7.74	464
MCO-6	03/31	uf 1	38	23	2.5	18	83	13.3	15.7	<5	158	1.97	.16	18.5	<.01	302		67	7.77	457
MCO-6	03/31	fd 1	38	22	2.5	19	82	13.1	15.6	<5	157	2.12	.17	17.8	<.01	370		65	7.78	480
MCO-6	03/31	f 1	39	22	2.5	18	81	12.9	15.7	<5	162	2.04	.16	18	<.01	204		65	8.03	495
MCO-6	06/27	ufd 1		23.33	<2.67	23.33	85.66		18.88			1.88	.12	16.33	<.01					
MCO-6	06/27	uf 1		22.22	<2.56	22.22	83.33		18.88			1.86	.14	18.11	<.01					
MCO-6	06/27	fd 1		23.33	<2.67	22.22	85.66		18.88			1.88	.12	17.88	<.01					
MCO-6	06/27	fd D1										1.86	.09		.01					
MCO-6	06/27	fl		23.33	<2.67	22.22	85.66		18.88			1.86	.12	16.77	<.01					
MCO-6B	03/31	uf 1	36	18	3.3	16	79	11.8	12.9	<5	155	2.16	.16	17	<.01	264		58	7.81	448
MCO-6B	03/31	f 1	37	18	3.3	17	79	11.7	13	<5	148	2.23	.17	17.2	<.01	218		58	7.66	440
MCO-7	03/30	ufd 1	38	23	6.5	18	94	11.9	12.8	<5	149	.82	.51	17	<.01	164		84	7.47	457
MCO-7	03/30	ufd R1		20	5.6	14	80											72		
MCO-7	03/30	uf 1	39	20	5.5	13	79	11.7	12.7	<5	149	1.79	.53	16.6	<.01	312		72	7.68	431
MCO-7	03/30	fd 1	40	19	5.3	13	78	11.7	12.6	<5	145	1.83	.52	26.6	<.01	304		69	7.67	454
MCO-7	03/30	f 1	40	19	5.3	14	78	11.7	12.7	<5	151	1.76	.51	19.4	<.01	324		69	7.69	441
MCO-7	06/28	uf 1		23.66	7.27	28.99	79.88		17.44			1.95	.58	23.22	<.01					
MCO-7	06/28	f 1		20.33	<4.8	18.66	77.66		16.66			1.96	.43	17.77	<.01					
MCO-7	08/10	uf 1	41	16	5.6	20	85	15	19	<5	160	1.88	.52	13.6	<.01	434	7	62.66	7.3	430
MCO-7	08/10	uf R1												13.3						
MCO-7	08/10	f 1	41	15	4.1	16	82	16	19	<5	168	1.89	.42	14	<.01	440	<1	53.99	7.45	426

Table 5-37. Chemical Quality of Alluvial Groundwater for 1995 (mg/L<sup>a</sup>) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	SiO <sub>2</sub>	Ca	Mg	K	Na	Cl	SO <sub>4</sub>	CO <sub>3</sub> Alkalinity	Total Alkalinity	F	PO <sub>4</sub> -P	NO <sub>3</sub> -N	CN	TDS <sup>c</sup>	TSS <sup>d</sup>	Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	pH <sup>e</sup>	Conductance (μS/cm)
<b>Mortandad Canyon (Cont.):</b>																				
MCO-7A	03/31	uf 1	38	18	4.4	17	75	11.5	12.2	<5	149	1.95	.4	16.5	<.01	220		63	7.98	424
MCO-7A	03/31	f 1	40	18	4.5	16	76	11.1	12.1	<5	148	1.93	.41	16	<.01	300		63	7.81	440
MCO-7A	06/28	uf 1		23.44	8.34	28.66	81.88		16.77			2.05	.53	16	<.01					
MCO-7A	06/28	f 1		20.99	<5.26	21.66	79.66		16.66			2.06	.39	16.22	<.01					
MCO-7A	06/28	f D1													<.01					
MCO-7A	08/10	uf 1	40	17	6.2	23	86	16	19	<5	173	1.94	.49	13.7	<.01	492	21	67.55	7.79	433
MCO-7A	08/10	f 1	39	15	4	18	84	16	19	<5	150	1.94	.41	14	<.01	414	10	53.55	7.41	432
MT-4	03/27	uf 1		14	3.4	3.8	130	16.7	17.5				.12	36	<.01	518		48.6	7.5	591
MT-4	03/27	f 1		14	3.4	3.8	110	16.4	17.7				.12	35	<.01	374		48.6	7.6	586
<b>Water Quality Standards<sup>g</sup></b>																				
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard									500			4		10	0.2					
EPA Secondary Drinking Water Standard									250	250						500			6.8–8.5	
EPA Health Advisory									20											
NMWQCC Groundwater Limit									250	600		1.6		10	0.2	1000			6–9	

<sup>a</sup>Except where noted.  
<sup>b</sup>Codes: uf—unfiltered; f—filtered; d—field duplicate; 1—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate; D1-lab duplicate.  
<sup>c</sup>Total dissolved solids.  
<sup>d</sup>Total suspended solids.  
<sup>e</sup>Standard units.  
<sup>f</sup>Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified limit of detection of the analytical method.  
<sup>g</sup>Standards given here for comparison only; see Appendix A.

Table 5-38. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Alluvial Groundwater for 1995 (µg/L)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Ag	Al	As	B	Ba	Be	Cd	Co	Cr	Cu	Fe	Hg
<b>Alluvial Canyon Groundwater Systems</b>														
<b>Acid/Pueblo Canyons:</b>														
APCO-1	03/29	uf 1	<100 <sup>b</sup>	2,100	9	250	69	<3	<4	8	7,700	<20	1,200	<.2
APCO-1	03/29	f 1	<100	<100	11	250	43	<3	<4	9	5,300	<30	<100	<.2
APCO-1	06/23	uf 1	<11.1	578	<9.3	278	<44.4	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<5.6	<4.4	300	<.2
APCO-1	06/23	uf D1	<11.1	489	9.2	278	45.6	<3.3	<3.3	5.6	4.4	<4.4	267	<.2
APCO-1	06/23	f 1	<11.1	<111	<9.2	267	<40	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.4	<4.4	<111	<.2
<b>DP/Los Alamos Canyons:</b>														
LAO-3	03/29	uf 1	<70	<300	4	27	80	<3	<4	<10	7,000	<20	<100	<.2
LAO-3	03/29	f 1	<100	<100	<3	40	81	<3	<4	<4	4,700	<4	<100	<.2
LAO-3	06/23	uf 1	<11.1	356	<2.2	37.8	<51.1	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.4	<4.4	178	<.2
LAO-3	06/23	f 1	<11.1	333	<2.8	32.2	<48.9	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.4	<4.4	156	<.2
LAO-3A	03/28	uf 1	<10	500	2	40	90	<1	<3	<4	<4	<4	200	<.2
LAO-3A	03/28	f 1	<10	300	2	40	87	<1	<3	<4	<4	<4	100	<.2
LAO-3A	06/23	uf 1	<11.1	3,780	<2.6	35.6	<62.2	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<6.7	<4.4	1,330	<.2
LAO-3A	06/23	f 1	<11.1	311	<3.1	33.3	<50	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.4	<4.4	133	<.2
LAO-4.5	06/29	uf 1	<10	2,220	<2.2	30	<43.3	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.4	<4.4	1,110	<.2
LAO-4.5	06/29	f 1	<10	1,330	<2.2	34.4	<38.9	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.4	<4.4	711	<.2
LAO-4.5C	03/28	uf 1	<10	700	<2	30	40	<1	<3	<4	<4	<4	300	<.2
LAO-4.5C	03/28	f 1	<10	2,000	<2	30	47	<1	<3	<4	5	<4	1,000	<.2
LAO-4.5C	03/28	f R1	<10	2,000	<2	30	50	<1	<3		6	<4	800	
LAO-4.5C	06/26	uf 1	<11.1	4,670	<2.2	24.4	<47.8	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	14.4	<4.4	2,000	<.2
LAO-4.5C	06/26	f 1	<11.1	1,000	<2.2	23.3	<31.1	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.4	<4.4	433	<.2
LAO-6	03/30	ufd 1	<80	480	<3	16	32	<3	<3	<4	<4	<7	200	<.2
LAO-6	03/30	uf 1	<80	550	<3	<30	34	<3	<4	7	<10	<7	230	<.2
LAO-6	03/30	f 1	<80	430	<3	<20	30	<3	<4	<4	<6	<7	180	<.2

**Table 5-38. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Alluvial Groundwater for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>		Ag	Al	As	B	Ba	Be	Cd	Co	Cr	Cu	Fe	Hg
DP/Los Alamos Canyons (Cont.):															
LAO-6	03/30	fd	1	<80	440	<3	14	33	<3	<4	<4	<20	<7	230	<.2
LAO-6	06/26	uf	1	<11.1	1,560	<2.2	26.7	<32.2	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.4	<4.4	667	<.2
LAO-6	06/26	f	1	11.1	744	<2.2	24.4	<31.1	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<5.6	<4.4	322	<.2
LAO-6A	03/28	uf	1	<10	240	<3	30	28	<1	<3	<4	<4	<4	100	<.2
LAO-6A	03/28	f	1	<10	1,000	<3	30	30	30	3	<4	<4	<4	400	<.2
LAO-6A	06/26	uf	1	17.8	878	<2.2	28.9	<30	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.4	<4.4	378	<.2
LAO-6A	06/26	f	1	25.6	711	<2.2	31.1	<30	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.4	<4.4	322	<.2
Mortandad Canyon:															
MCO-4B	03/31	uf	1	170	260	<3	52	76	<3	<4	<4	<4	<4	160	<.2
MCO-4B	03/31	f	1	<90	130	<3	32	78	<3	<4	<4	<7	11	<100	<.2
MCO-4B	06/27	uf	1	<11.1	1,670	<2.2	46.7	<84.4	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<6.7	<4.4	800	<.2
MCO-4B	06/27	uf	D1	<11.1	1,444	<2.2	46.7	84.4	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.4	4.4	756	<.2
MCO-6	03/31	ufd	1	<90	460	<3	52	77	<3	<15	<10	<6	<70	300	<.2
MCO-6	03/31	uf	1	<90	350	<3	48	77	<3	<4	<8	<4	<10	170	<.2
MCO-6	03/31	fd	1	<90	1,300	<3	50	74	<3	<4	<4	<9	<10	<100	<.2
MCO-6	03/31	f	1	<90	170	<3	51	73	<3	<20	<4	<10	11	<100	<.2
MCO-6	06/27	ufd	1	<11.1	389	<2.2	58.9	<84.4	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.4	<4.4	189	<.2
MCO-6	06/27	uf	1	<11.1	4,444.4	<2.2	58.9	<82.2	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<6.7	<4.4	200	<.2
MCO-6	06/27	fd	1	<11.1	256	<2.2	58.9	<82.2	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<5.6	<4.4	111	<.2
MCO-6	06/27	f	1	<11.1	267	<2.2	58.9	<83.3	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.4	<4.4	133	<.2
MCO-6B	03/31	uf	1	<90	590	<3	50	140	<3	<10	<4	<5	<10	250	<.2
MCO-6B	03/31	f	1	<90	430	<3	47	140	<3	<10	<4	<8	<10	230	<.2
MCO-7	03/30	ufd	1	<70	3,000	8	73	200	<3	<4	<4	15	13	1,400	<.2
MCO-7	03/30	ufd	R1	<70	3,100	4	60	170	<3	<4	<4	6	20	1,400	<.2
MCO-7	03/30	uf	1	<70	1,000	3	61	170	<3	<4	<4	<9	<12	580	<.2

**Table 5-38. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Alluvial Groundwater for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>		Ag	Al	As	B	Ba	Be	Cd	Co	Cr	Cu	Fe	Hg
Mortandad Canyon (Cont.):															
MCO-7	03/30	fd	1	<80	<300	4	58	150	<3	<15	<7	<7	8	150	<.2
MCO-7	03/30	f	1	<80	420	4	56	160	<3	<4	6	6	<7	200	<.2
MCO-7	06/28	uf	1	<10	21,500	<7.3	72.2	268	<3.3	<3.3	<7.1	23.2	33.2	12,000	<.2
MCO-7	06/28	f	1	<10	1,870	<3.4	63.2	<152	<3.3	<3.3	<4.4	<4.9	<4.4	972	<.2
MCO-7	08/10	uf	1	<10	13,000	7	80	240	1	<3	<4	9	19	6,700	<.2
MCO-7	08/10	f	1	<10	100	4	70	150	<1	<3	<4	<4	5	100	.2
MCO-7A	03/31	uf	1	<90	410	3	53	150	<3	<15	<4	7	<10	200	<.2
MCO-7A	03/31	f	1	<90	260	<3	51	150	<3	<4	<6	<4	<10	120	<.2
MCO-7A	06/28	uf	1	<10	36,500	<9.6	74.3	393	<3.3	<3.3	<8.9	20.2	<4.4	21,200	<.2
MCO-7A	06/28	f	1	<10	7,220	<3.8	69.9	<194	<3.3	<3.3	<5.4	<10.6	<4.4	3840	<.2
MCO-7A	08/10	uf	1	<10	23,000	9	80	330	1	<3	6	14	12	14,000	<.2
MCO-7A	08/10	f	1	<10	260	4	70	170	<1	<3	<4	5	<4	1,300	<.2
MT-4	03/27	uf	1	<10	200	<3	90	98	<1	<3	<4	<.004	<4	100	<.2
MT-4	03/27	uf	R1	<10											<.2
MT-4	03/27	f	1	<10	300	<3	90	96	<1	<3	<4	<4	<4	100	<.2
Water Quality Standards <sup>c</sup>															
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard						50		2,000	4	5		100			2
EPA Secondary Drinking Water Standard						50–200								300	
EPA Action Level													1,300		
NMWQCC Livestock Watering Standards					5,000	200	5,000			50	1,000	1,000	500		10
NMWQCC Groundwater Limit					50	5,000	100	750	1,000	10	50	50	1,000	1,000	2

<sup>a</sup>Codes: uf—unfiltered; f—filtered; d—field duplicate; 1—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate; D1—lab duplicate.<sup>b</sup>Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified limit of detection of the analytical method.<sup>c</sup>Standards given here for comparison only, see Appendix A. Note that New Mexico Livestock and Groundwater limits (except for mercury) are based on dissolved concentrations, while many of these analyses are of unfiltered samples—thus concentrations may include suspended sediment quantities.

**Table 5-38. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Alluvial Groundwater for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>		Mn	Mo	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Sn	Sr	Tl	V	Zn
Acid/Pueblo Canyons:														
APCO-1	03/29	uf	1	880	<8 <sup>b</sup>	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	130	<2	<4	38
APCO-1	03/29	f	1	330	<20	<30	<2	<2	<2	<30	130	<2	<4	<20
APCO-1	06/23	uf	1	678	<13.3	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	111	<2.2	<17.8	<22.2
APCO-1	06/23	uf	D1	689	22.2	<11.1	2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	111	<2.2	18.9	<22.2
APCO-1	06/23	f	1	511	<18.9	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	108	<2.2	<13.3	<22.2
DP/Los Alamos Canyons:														
LAO-3	03/29	uf	1	6	250	<20	<2	<2	<2	<30	190	<2	<4	<20
LAO-3	03/29	f	1	<3	280	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	190	<2	<4	<20
LAO-3	06/23	uf	1	<3.3	622	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	108	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
LAO-3	06/23	f	1	<3.3	611	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	106	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
LAO-3A	03/28	uf	1	46	240	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	190	<2	<4	<20
LAO-3A	03/28	f	1	<2	250	<10	<2	<2	<2	30	190	<2	<4	<20
LAO-3A	06/23	uf	1	35.6	578	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	110	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
LAO-3A	06/23	f	1	<3.3	567	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	106	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
LAO-4.5	06/29	uf	1	23.3	<11.1	<11.1	<4.4	<2.2	<1.3	<33.3	80	<2.2	<5.6	<22.2
LAO-4.5	06/29	f	1	18.9	<15.6	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	77.8	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
LAO-4.5C	03/28	uf	1	2	8	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	85	<2	<4	<20
LAO-4.5C	03/28	f	1	20	12	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	88	<2	<4	<20
LAO-4.5C	03/28	f	R1	20	13	<10	<2	<2		<30	87	<2	<4	<20
LAO-4.5C	06/26	uf	1	41.1	<12.2	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	74.4	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
LAO-4.5C	06/26	f	1	<3.3	<12.2	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.4	<33.3	67.8	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
LAO-6	03/30	ufd	1	<3	<20	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	83	<2	<4	<20
LAO-6	03/30	uf	1	<3	<20	<30	<2	<2	<2	<30	87	<2	<4	<20
LAO-6	03/30	fd	1	4	<20	<30	<2	<2	<2	<30	88	<2	<4	<20
LAO-6	03/30	f	1	<3	<20	<30	<2	<2	<2	<30	81	<2	<4	<20
LAO-6	06/26	uf	1	<5.6	<23.3	<11.1	<4.4	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	80	<2.2	<5.6	<22.2
LAO-6	06/26	f	1	<3.3	<23.3	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	80	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2



**Table 5-38. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Alluvial Groundwater for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)**

Station														
Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>		Mn	Mo	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Sn	Sr	Tl	V	Zn
DP/Los Alamos Canyons (Cont.):														
LAO-6A	03/28	uf	1	3	<8	10	<2	<2	4	<30	78	<2	<4	<20
LAO-6A	03/28	f	1	9	<8	10	<2	<2	<2	<30	77	<2	<4	<20
LAO-6A	06/26	uf	1	<3.3	<24.4	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	87.8	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
LAO-6A	06/26	f	1	<3.3	<25.6	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	86.7	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
Mortandad Canyon:														
MCO-4B	03/31	uf	1	9	170	<20	<2	<2	2	<30	100	<2	<4	20
MCO-4B	03/31	f	1	<3	170	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	110	<2	<4	<20
MCO-4B	06/27	uf	1	20	156	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	110	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
MCO-4B	06/27	uf	D1	18.9	167	<11.1	2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	110	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
MCO-6	03/31	ufd	1	33	200	<10	<2	<2	2	<30	100	<2	<4	180
MCO-6	03/31	uf	1	<20	210	<20	<2	<2	3	<30	99	<2	<4	<20
MCO-6	03/31	fd	1	<3	210	<30	<2	<2	2	<30	96	<2	<4	<20
MCO-6	03/31	f	1	<3	190	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	97	<2	<4	<20
MCO-6	06/27	ufd	1	<3.3	156	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	110	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
MCO-6	06/27	uf	1	<3.3	156	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	108	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
MCO-6	06/27	fd	1	<3.3	156	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	110	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
MCO-6	06/27	f	1	<3.3	144	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.2	<33.3	110	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
MCO-6B	03/31	uf	1	6	170	<30	<2	<2	3	<30	100	<2	<4	<20
MCO-6B	03/31	f	1	4	180	<20	<2	<2	<2	<30	100	<2	<4	<20
MCO-7	03/30	ufd	1	33	210	<30	<2	<2	<2	<30	150	<2	<4	<20
MCO-7	03/30	ufd	R1	29	190	<30	<2	<2	<2	<30	130	<2	5	<20
MCO-7	03/30	uf	1	32	180	<30	<2	<2	<2	<30	130	<2	<4	<20
MCO-7	03/30	fd	1	<3	160	<30	<2	<2	<2	<30	120	<2	5	<20
MCO-7	03/30	f	1	<3	180	<30	<2	<2	<2	<50	120	<2	<4	<20
MCO-7	06/28	uf	1	209	188	<11.1	15.6	<2.2	<2.7	<33.3	141	<2.2	<23.4	69.9
MCO-7	06/28	f	1	<7	180	<11.1	<2.2	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	116	<2.2	<4.4	<22.2
MCO-7	08/10	uf	1	150	150	10	10	<1	1	30	130	<1	16	40
MCO-7	08/10	f	1	<2	150	<10	1	<1	<1	<30	110	<1	<4	20

**Table 5-38. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Alluvial Groundwater for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Mn	Mo	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Sn	Sr	Tl	V	Zn
<b>Mortandad Canyon (Cont.):</b>													
MCO-7A	03/31	uf 1	8	190	<20	<2	<2	<2	<30	110	<2	<4	<20
MCO-7A	03/31	f 1	<3	210	<20	<2	<2	<2	<30	110	<2	<10	<20
MCO-7A	06/28	uf 1	631	180	<22.7	31.1	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	154	<2.2	<38.7	73
MCO-7A	06/28	f 1	100	180	<11.1	<4.4	<2.2	<1.1	<33.3	122	<2.2	<15.4	<22.2
MCO-7A	08/10	uf 1	410	160	<10	19	2	2	<30	140	1	26	70
MCO-7A	08/10	f 1	40	160	<10	3	1	<1	<30	110	<1	6	<20
MT-4	03/27	uf 1	7	19	10	<2	<2	<2	<30	100	<2	<4	<20
MT-4	03/27	f 1	<2	19	10	<2	<2	<2	<30	100	<2	<4	<20
<b>Water Quality Standards<sup>c</sup></b>													
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard					100		6	50	25,000–90,000	2			
EPA Secondary Drinking Water Standard					50								5,000
EPA Action Level													
EPA Health Advisory													
NMWQCC Livestock Watering Limit Standards						100		50			80–110		
NMWQCC Groundwater Limit					200	1,000	200	50			100		25,000
													10,000

<sup>a</sup>Codes: uf—unfiltered; f—filtered; d—field duplicate; 1—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate; D1—lab duplicate.  
<sup>b</sup>Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified limit of detection of the analytical method.  
<sup>c</sup>Standards given here for comparison only, see Appendix A. Note that New Mexico Livestock and Groundwater limits (except for mercury) are based on dissolved concentrations, while many of these analyses are of unfiltered samples—thus concentrations may include suspended sediment quantities.

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**Table 5-39. Number of Results Above the Analytical Limit of Quantitation for Organic Compounds in Alluvial Groundwater for 1995**

Station	Date	Type of Organic Compound		
		Volatile	Semivolatile	PCB
Number of Compounds Analyzed		59	69	4
LAO-3A	03/28	0	0	0
LAO-3A	06/23	0	0	0
LAO-3A	08/07	0	0	0
LAO-4.5C	03/28	0	0	0
LAO-4.5C	06/26	0	1	0
LAO-4.5C	08/08	0	0	0
LAO-4.5C	12/14	0	0	0
LAO-6	03/30	0	0	0
LAO-6	06/26	0	0	0
LAO-6A	03/28	0	0	0
MCO-6B	03/31	0	0	0
MCO-7A	03/31	1	0	0
MCO-7A	06/28	0	1	0
MT-4	03/27	1	0	0

**Table 5-40. Results Above the Analytical Limit of Quantitation for Organic Compounds in Alluvial Groundwater for 1995 (µg/L)**

Station	Date	Analyte	Sample Value	Uncertainty	Limit of Quantitation	Analyte Suite <sup>a</sup>	Symbol <sup>b</sup>	CST-12 Comments on Analytical Results
LAO-3A	06/23	Dimethyl-3-pentanone [2,4-]	6	0			TI	
LAO-4.5C	06/26	Di-n-butyl phthalate	11	3.3	10	svoa		found in method blank
MCO-7A	03/31	Acetone	21	6.3	20	voa		
MCO-7A	06/28	Di-n-butyl phthalate	12	3.6	10	svoa		found in method blank
MT-4	03/27	Chloromethane	11	3.3	10	voa		

<sup>a</sup>voa: volatile organics; svoa: semivolatile organics.

<sup>b</sup>TI: tentatively identified compound.

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**Table 5-41. Special Radiochemical and Chemical Analyses of Test Well Groundwater for 1995**

Well (or Blank Type)	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Well Bore No.	<sup>90</sup> Sr (pCi/L)	<sup>3</sup> H (pCi/L) <sup>b</sup>	Cl (mg/L)	NO <sub>3</sub> -N (mg/L)
Test Well 3	07/18	1	0	0.6 ± 0.8 <sup>c</sup>	-0.10 ± 0.29 <sup>d</sup>	3.6	<.04
	07/18	1	3	0 ± 1	52.7 ± 1.60	3.7	.05
	07/18	d 1	3	0.5 ± 0.8	49.5 ± 1.60	3.6	.05
	07/18	s 1	3	0.4 ± 0.8			<.04
	07/18	1	4	0.5 ± 0.7	28.9 ± 0.96	3.5	.46
	07/18	1	5	0.3 ± 0.8	2.14 ± 0.29	3.6	.65
	07/18	1	7	0.5 ± 0.8	1.18 ± 0.29	3.5	.65
	07/18	1	10	0 ± 0.9	0.19 ± 0.29	3.5	.66
<sup>90</sup> Sr Blank	07/18	1		0.3 ± 0.9			
<sup>3</sup> H Blank B	07/18	b			1.28 ± 0.42		
Test Well 4	07/19	1	0	0.1 ± 0.7	0.10 ± 0.29	2.8	<.04
	07/19	1	1	1.1 ± 0.8	0.70 ± 0.29	2.8	<.04
	07/19	1	2	0.3 ± 0.9	0.54 ± 0.29	2.7	<.04
	07/19	d 1	2	-0.2 ± 1.2	0.22 ± 0.29		<.04
	07/19	1	3	2.9 ± 0.8	0.16 ± 0.29	2.8	<.04
	07/19	R1	3	0.5 ± 1.2			
	07/19	1	4	0.5 ± 0.9	0.89 ± 0.29	2.8	<.04
	07/19	R1	4	0.1 ± 1.2			
	07/19	s 1	4	0.7 ± 0.7		2.6	.36
	07/19	1	5	0.1 ± 0.8	1.92 ± 0.29	2.8	.04
	07/19	1	7	0.3 ± 0.9	0.35 ± 0.29	2.7	0.3
	07/19	1	10	-0.5 ± 1.2	0.51 ± 0.29	2.8	.35
	07/1	d 1	10	-1 ± 1.2	0.29 ± 0.29	2.8	.34
<sup>90</sup> Sr Blank	07/19	1		0.1 ± 0.9			
<sup>3</sup> H Blank B	07/19	b			0.26 ± 0.29		
Test Well 8	07/17	1	0	0 ± 0.7	13.7 ± 0.54	2.8	<.04
	07/17	d 1	0	0.5 ± 0.9	14.7 ± 0.51	2.5	<.04
	07/17	1	1	0.7 ± 0.6	15.6 ± 0.51	2.5	.23
	07/17	1	2	2.5 ± 0.7	13.8 ± 0.45	2.5	.24
	07/17	R1	2	0.9 ± 0.9			
	07/17	1	3	0.7 ± 0.9	10.7 ± 0.42	2.5	.27
	07/17	s 1	3	0.3 ± 0.8		2.5	.25
	07/17	1	4	0.4 ± 0.7	10.4 ± 0.42	2.5	.27
	07/17	1	5	0.2 ± 0.7	8.53 ± 0.38	2.2	.37
	07/17	1	7	0.9 ± 0.6	7.76 ± 0.38	2.5	.32
	07/17	1	10	1.5 ± 0.7	6.99 ± 0.32	2.5	0.3
	07/17	1	15	0.5 ± 0.9	5.24 ± 0.29	2.5	.44
	07/17	R1	15	0.2 ± 0.9			
<sup>90</sup> Sr Blank	07/17	b 1		0.5 ± 0.7			
<sup>3</sup> H Blank B	07/18	b			0.93 ± 0.29		

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**Table 5-41. Special Radiochemical and Chemical Analyses of Test Well Groundwater for 1995 (Cont.)**

Well (or Blank Type)	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Well Bore No.	<sup>90</sup> Sr (pCi/L)	<sup>3</sup> H (pCi/L) <sup>b</sup>	Cl (mg/L)	NO <sub>3</sub> -N (mg/L)
Test Well 1	06/19				277 ± 9.3		
Test Well 1A	06/19				78.9 ± 2.55		
Test Well 2A	08/01				1807 ± 60.7		
Test Well 2	08/01				16.8 ± 0.57		
Test Well DT-9	05/31				1.50 ± 0.29		
Test Well DT-10	05/30				3.16 ± 0.29		
<sup>3</sup> H Blank B		b			0.61 ± 0.29		
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard <sup>c</sup>				8	20,000		10

<sup>a</sup>Codes: b—field blank; s—surveillance sample; d—field duplicate; 1—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate.

<sup>b</sup>Results from University of Miami Tritium Laboratory. Data are reported in tritium units (TU) and converted to pCi/L (1 TU = 3.193 pCi/L).

<sup>c</sup>Radioactivity counting uncertainties (one standard deviation) follow the ± sign. Values less than two standard deviations are considered a nondetection.

<sup>d</sup>Analytical method uncertainties (one standard deviation) follow the ± sign for Miami tritium values.

<sup>e</sup>Standards given here for comparison only; see Appendix A.

Table 5-42. Radiochemical Analyses of Pueblo Groundwater and Surface Water for 1995 (pCi/L<sup>a</sup>)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	<sup>3</sup> H	<sup>90</sup> Sr	<sup>137</sup> Cs	U (μg/L)	<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>239,240</sup> Pu	<sup>241</sup> Am	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	Gross Gamma
<b>San Ildefonso Pueblo</b>												
<b>Water Supply and Monitoring Wells:</b>												
LA-1A	05/24	1	-300 ± 300	0 ± 1.1 <sup>c</sup>	<.47 <sup>d</sup>	4.57 ± .45	-.015 ± .015	.015 ± .017	.046 ± .018	3.7 ± 1.2	4.6 ± .7	50 ± 50
LA-1A	05/24	R1								3.7 ± 1.2	4.6 ± .6	
LA-1B	05/24	1	0 ± 300	.1 ± 1	<1.11	.78 ± .08	.047 ± .016	.037 ± .014	.021 ± .012	0 ± 2.4	3.7 ± .5	20 ± 50
Westside Artesian	05/24	1	0 ± 300	8.4 ± 1	<.68	20.73 ± 4.15	-.006 ± .001	.021 ± .012	.014 ± .013	-19.7 ± 6.1	11 ± 1	0 ± 50
Halladay House	05/24	1	-100 ± 300	.2 ± 1.1	<.74	8.75 ± .88	.013 ± .01	.013 ± .01	.019 ± .019	-.2 ± .5	1.6 ± .3	70 ± 50
Pajarito Pump 1	05/24	1	200 ± 300	.4 ± .8	<.92	10.62 ± 1.27	.005 ± .007	.006 ± .012	.012 ± .011	-8.6 ± 3.7	10 ± 1	80 ± 50
Pajarito Pump 2	05/24	1	-100 ± 300	0 ± .9	.49 ± .29	6.84 ± 1.23	-.011 ± .003	.034 ± .016	.075 ± .021	14 ± 3.7	4.5 ± .6	20 ± 50
Martinez House	05/24	1	-100 ± 300	0 ± 1	<1.33	7.61 ± .76	.009 ± .01	.012 ± .012	.044 ± .017	4.9 ± 2.4	6 ± .7	70 ± 50
Martinez House	05/24	D1				7.59 ± .76						
Otowi House	05/24	1	700 ± 300	1.1 ± 1	1.02 ± .63	3.77 ± .38	-.001 ± .007	.016 ± .013	.049 ± .019	2.5 ± 1	5.1 ± .6	40 ± 50
Otowi House	05/24	R1					-.002 ± .006	.015 ± .007	.0274 ± .0077			
New Community	05/24	1	-400 ± 300	0 ± .8	<.69	21.64 ± 5.41	-.003 ± .007	.003 ± .006	.036 ± .014	22 ± 4.9	8.4 ± 1	30 ± 50
New Community	05/24	d 1	2,700 ± 500	-.2 ± .9	1.59 ± .61	24.2 ± 2.42	.317 ± .04	.03 ± .012	.044 ± .016	21 ± 4.9	7.3 ± .8	70 ± 50
Sanchez House	05/24	1	2,100 ± 400	-.2 ± 1.1	1.56 ± .62	10 ± 1.6	.105 ± .026	.016 ± .015	.03 ± .015	14.8 ± 3.7	5.4 ± .6	10 ± 50
<b>Alluvial Observation Wells:</b>												
BIA Wellpoint 1	05/24	1	800 ± 300		<1.44	14.55 ± 1.89	.171 ± .029	.401 ± .046	.117 ± .047	-12 ± 11	14.5 ± 1	0 ± 50
BIA Wellpoint 3	05/25	1	200 ± 300	.7 ± 1.1	<1.44	3.57 ± .36	-.003 ± .012	.744 ± .072	.521 ± .056	2.4 ± 2.4	15.6 ± 1	20 ± 50
<b>Blank:</b>												
San Ildefonso Trip Blank	05/24	1	-200 ± 300	.1 ± .9	<.69	.58 ± .06	.005 ± .014	.029 ± .019	.048 ± .017	-.1 ± .2	0 ± .2	90 ± 50
<b>Santa Clara Pueblo</b>												
<b>Water Supply Wells:</b>												
Community Above Village	05/18	1	-200 ± 300	0 ± 1	<1.44	10.71 ± 1.07	.004 ± .01	-.002 ± .01	.061 ± .019	9.8 ± 2.4	6.2 ± .7	30 ± 5
Community Above Village	05/18	d 1	-400 ± 300	.2 ± .8	1.42 ± .67	10.1 ± 1.31	-.012 ± .009	.03 ± .016	.024 ± .018	9.8 ± 2	3.7 ± .5	100 ± 50
Community Above Village	05/18	D1				10.21 ± 1.12						
Naranjo House	05/18	1	-300 ± 300	-.3 ± .8	<.47	5.97 ± .6	.027 ± .013	.04 ± .014	.04 ± .017	5 ± .6	5 ± .6	50 ± 50
Naranjo House	05/18	R1					-.005 ± .005	.003 ± .004	.042 ± .008			
Enos House	05/18	1	-500 ± 300	.6 ± .7	2.17 ± .83	3.2 ± .32	.019 ± .012	.037 ± .014	.036 ± .016	1.7 ± 1	1 ± .3	20 ± 40
Enos House	05/18	R1								1 ± 1.1	1 ± .3	
Community New Subdivision	05/19	1	-200 ± 300	2.3 ± 1	<1.33	.13 ± .01	0 ± .007	-.005 ± .008	.007 ± .013	3.7 ± 2.4	2.4 ± .6	30 ± 50

Table 5-42. Radiochemical Analyses of Pueblo Groundwater and Surface Water for 1995 (pCi/L<sup>a</sup>) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	<sup>3</sup> H	<sup>90</sup> Sr	<sup>137</sup> Cs	U (μg/L)	<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>239,240</sup> Pu	<sup>241</sup> Am	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	Gross Gamma
<b>Santa Clara Creek:</b>												
S C Crk @ Rio Grande	5/18	1	0 ± 300	.9 ± .8	<.64	.49 ± .06	-.006 ± .012	-.006 ± .009	.05 ± .017	.05 ± .6	3.5 ± .5	10 ± 40
<b>Blanks:</b>												
Santa Clara Trip Blank	05/18	1	-300 ± 300	-.2 ± .9	<1.33	.01 ± .01	.005 ± .009	.02 ± .013	.022 ± .018	-.2 ± .2	-.2 ± .3	60 ± 50
Santa Clara Trip Blank	05/18	R1	-100 ± 400									
<b>Cochiti Pueblo</b>												
Cochiti Lake 1	06/08	1	-200 ± 300	1.7 ± .7	-.51 ± .8	.26 ± .03	-.005 ± .002	-.003 ± .005	.05 ± .018	.9 ± .5	3 ± .5	40 ± 40
Cochiti 1	06/08	1	-100 ± 300	2.2 ± .8	1.39 ± .77	.7 ± .07	.01 ± .01	.021 ± .014	.044 ± .021	5 ± .6	5 ± .8	80 ± 40
Cochiti Golf Course	06/08	1	0 ± 400	.3 ± .9	.72 ± 1.09	.01 ± .01	.001 ± .01	.032 ± .016	.034 ± .018	.4 ± .1	.5 ± .3	40 ± 40
Tetilla Peak	06/08	1	-100 ± 300	.4 ± .7	2.84 ± 1.04	4.61 ± .46	.005 ± .008	-.004 ± .007	.075 ± .024	6 ± 1.2	6 ± .8	-10 ± 40
Cochiti Elementary	06/08	1	-200 ± 300	.3 ± 1.1	.81 ± .41	3.05 ± .31	.025 ± .013	.015 ± .013	.02 ± .015	4.9 ± 1	4 ± .6	70 ± 40
<b>Blanks:</b>												
Cochiti Trip Blank	06/08	1	100 ± 300	.2 ± .7	-.07 ± .8	.62 ± .06	.039 ± .017	.007 ± .011	.056 ± .019	2 ± .6	4 ± .6	50 ± 40
<b>Jemez Pueblo</b>												
North Tank	07/21	1	-100 ± 300	0 ± .8	.04 ± .06	.12 ± .01	.003 ± .012	.019 ± .018	.022 ± .016	0 ± 4	12 ± 1	10 ± 40
<b>Summary of Blanks</b>												
San Ildefonso Trip Blank	05/24	1	-200 ± 300	.1 ± .9	<.69	.58 ± .06	.005 ± .014	.029 ± .019	.048 ± .017	-.1 ± .2	0 ± .2	90 ± 50
Santa Clara Trip Blank	05/18	1	-300 ± 300	-.2 ± .9	<1.33	.01 ± .01	.005 ± .009	.02 ± .013	.022 ± .018	-.2 ± .2	-.2 ± .3	60 ± 50
Santa Clara Trip Blank	05/18	R1	-100 ± 400									
Cochiti Trip Blank	06/08	1	100 ± 300	.2 ± .7	-.07 ± .8	.62 ± .06	.039 ± .017	.007 ± .011	.056 ± .019	2 ± .6	4 ± .6	50 ± 40



Table 5-42. Radiochemical Analyses of Pueblo Groundwater and Surface Water for 1995 (pCi/L<sup>a</sup>) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	<sup>3</sup> H	<sup>90</sup> Sr	<sup>137</sup> Cs	U (μg/L)	<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>239,240</sup> Pu	<sup>241</sup> Am	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	Gross Gamma
<b>Detection Limits</b>			2,000	3	4	0.1	0.04	0.04	0.04	3	3	
<b>Water Quality Standards<sup>c</sup></b>												
DOE DCG for Public Dose			2,000,000	1,000	3,000	800	40	30	30	30	1,000	
DOE Drinking Water System DCG			80,000	40	120	30	1.6	1.2	1.2			
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard			20,000	8		20				15		
EPA Screening Level											50	
NMWQCC Groundwater Limit						5,000						

<sup>a</sup>Except where noted.<sup>b</sup>Codes: d—field duplicate; l—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate; D1-lab duplicate.<sup>c</sup>Radioactivity counting uncertainties (1 standard deviation, except <sup>3</sup>H-3 standard deviations) follow the ± sign. Radioactivity counting uncertainties are less than analytical method uncertainties. Values less than two standard deviations are considered a non detection.<sup>d</sup>Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified detection limit for the analytical method.<sup>e</sup>Standards given here for comparison only; see Appendix A.

Table 5-43. Chemical Quality of Pueblo Groundwater and Surface Water for 1995 (mg/L<sup>a</sup>)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	SiO <sub>2</sub>	Ca	Mg	K	Na	Cl	SO <sub>4</sub>	CO <sub>3</sub> Alkalinity	Total Alkalinity	F	PO <sub>4</sub> -P	NO <sub>3</sub> -N	CN	TDS <sup>c</sup>	TSS <sup>d</sup>	Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	pH <sup>e</sup>	Conductance (μS/cm)
<b>Pueblo of San Ildefonso</b>																				
<b>Water Supply and Monitoring Wells:</b>																				
LA-1A	05/24	1	26.11	13.4	.29	2.08	78.4	14.3	26.7	7.2	160	.49	<.02 <sup>f</sup>	.011	.01	413	18.6	34.7	8.56	405
LA-1B	05/24	1	9.26	3.78	.14	2.08	147	17.3	32.8	17.5	289	2.67	<.02	.004	<.01	532	<1	10	8.95	670
Westside Artesian	05/24	1	23.32	13.9	.91	1.45	374	186	80.1	15.5	342	4.47	<.02	.025	.03	1084	<1	38.5	8.34	1977
Halladay House	05/24	1	25.89	4.24	.04	.67	40.5	3.81	13.9	6.5	85.4	.51	<.02	.565	<.01	195	<1	10.8	8.47	217
Pajarito Pump 1	05/24	1	34.67	59.9	6.45	3.77	312	223	51.7	0	571	.46	<.02	.212	<.01	1445	<1	176	7.72	1767
Pajarito Pump 2	05/24	1	34.03	27.1	1.95	2.36	110	52.5	25.4	0	231	.86	<.02	1.33	<.01	568	<1	75.7	7.9	660
Martinez House	05/24	1	39.16	41.5	2.67	2.85	55.6	17.6	34.1	0	155	.55	.049	8.63	<.01	504	<1	115	7.71	493
Otow House	05/24	1	52.86	66.8	5.59	3.11	39.2	34.7	25.7	0	209	.32	<.02	.576	<.01	632	<1	190	7.08	560
New Community	05/24	1	24.18	16.5	1.09	.83	78.4	8.7	35.2	0	179	.13	<.02	1.45	<.01	397	<1	45.7	8.11	447
New Community	05/24	d 1	24.18	16.4	1.07	.79	77	8.81	35.2	9.2	179	.12	<.02	1.46	.01	404	<1	45.4	8.28	449
Sanchez House	05/24	1	37.24	28.1	2.13	1.69	93.5	45.3	41.3	0	185	1.17	.033	.949	<.01	520	<1	78.9	7.77	597
<b>Alluvial Observation Wells:</b>																				
BIA Wellpoint 1	05/24	1	200.73	232	71.8	28.6	37.5	36.5	23.3	0	181	.57	<.02	.081	1.71	8637	982	875	7.14	477
BIA Wellpoint 3	05/25	1	89.67	25.8	6.66	8.63	34.5	29.2	10.7	0	118	.46	.902	.307	.03	984	520	91.8	6.67	350
<b>Blank:</b>																				
San Ildefonso Trip Blank	05/24	1	1.35	.02	<.01	<.02	.38	.01	<.05	0	<.8	<.02	<.02	.052	<.01	2	<1	<.1	5.08	2

**Table 5-43. Chemical Quality of Pueblo Groundwater and Surface Water for 1995 (mg/L<sup>a</sup>) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	SiO <sub>2</sub>	Ca	Mg	K	Na	Cl	SO <sub>4</sub>	CO <sub>3</sub> Alkalinity	Total Alkalinity	F	PO <sub>4</sub> -P	NO <sub>3</sub> -N	CN	TDS <sup>c</sup>	TSS <sup>d</sup>	Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	pH <sup>e</sup>	Conductance (μS/cm)
<b>Santa Clara Pueblo</b>																				
<b>Water Supply Wells:</b>																				
Community Above Village	05/18	1	24.40	26.3	.56	1.25	71.2	39.1	40.7	0	122	.3	<.02	.978	<.01	399	<1	68	7.98	460
Community Above Village	05/18	d 1	24.18	25.9	.67	1.22	68.2	40	41.2	5.9	120	.34	<.02	1.00	<.01	404	3.4	67.4	8.17	462
Naranjo House	05/18	1	42.37	25.8	1.62	1.85	53	3.48	17.6	7.1	152	.34	<.02	.206	.01	378	<1	71.1	8.18	338
Enos House	05/18	1	26.32	1.4	.12	.3	89.8	2.65	15.9	22.1	166	.99	<.02	.298	<.01	331	<1	4	9.29	369
Community New Subdivisiom	05/19	1	25.25	37.2	.58	1.9	457	647	39.5	3.4	43.9	.76	<.02	.063	.12	1357	<1	95.3	8.3	2380
<b>Santa Clara Creek:</b>																				
Singer Headgate	5/19	1	46.40	5.6	1.69	1.22	5.5	0.81	6.6	0	24.6	0.33	0.02	0.02	0.01	166	48.7	20.9	7.87	62
S C Crk @ Rio Grande	5/18	1	102.9	16.2	4.38	2.87	6.7	0.72	3.1	0	44.5	0.38	0.03	0.09	0.01	266	5.4	58.5	7.66	100
<b>Rio Grande:</b>																				
Ditch Headgate	5/18	1	44.1	31.6	7.34	2.78	9.9	2.31	37.7	0	74.0	0.20	0.02	0.10	0.01	436	105	109	7.86	234
Rio Grande @ S C Crk	5/18	1	33.6	23.0	3.48	1.62	4.8	1.27	6.3	0	55.6	0.20	0.02	0.05	0.01	275	66	72	7.88	130
<b>Blank:</b>																				
Santa Clara Trip Blank	05/18	1	.19	.09	.03	<.02	<.02	<.02	.24	0	<.7	<.02	<.02	<.01	<.01	.9	<1	.3	4.95	1
<b>Cochiti Pueblo</b>																				
Cochiti Lake 1	06/08	1	62	23	4.1	3	12	3.5	7.2	<5	71	.29	.05	1.1	<.01	144	4	74	8.02	149
Cochiti 1	06/08	1	67	26	3.9	3.6	12	4.3	12	<5	90	.52	<.02	4.2	<.01	184	4	80	8.14	196
Cochiti 1	06/08	R1		27	4.1	3.8	13											84		
Cochiti Golf Course	06/08	1	62	29	5.4	4.1	9.6	5.5	12	<5	68	.28	.04	2.3	<.01	172	5	94	7.73	186
Cochiti Golf Course	06/08	R1										.27								
Tetilla Peak	06/08	1	28	43	7.6	2.6	22	6.8	45	<5	129	.39	<.02	.5	<.01	236	2	138	8.08	320

**Table 5-43. Chemical Quality of Pueblo Groundwater and Surface Water for 1995 (mg/L<sup>a</sup>) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>b</sup>	SiO <sub>2</sub>	Ca	Mg	K	Na	Cl	SO <sub>4</sub>	CO <sub>3</sub> Alkalinity	Total Alkalinity	F	PO <sub>4</sub> -P	NO <sub>3</sub> -N	CN	TDS <sup>c</sup>	TSS <sup>d</sup>	Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	pH <sup>e</sup>	Conductance (μS/cm)
<b>Cochiti Pueblo (Cont.):</b>																				
Cochiti Elementary	06/08	1	33	51	7.2	2.7	18	4.4	15	<5	141	.35	<.02	1.2	<.01	228	4	156	8.04	288
Cochiti Elementary	06/08	R1	30																	
<b>Blank:</b>																				
Cochiti Trip Blank	06/08	1	<10	<.4	<.04	<.6	<.3	<.5	<1	<5	<5	<.1	<.02	<.04	<.01	30	4	<1	5.79	1
<b>Jemez Pueblo</b>																				
North Tank	07/21	1	58	50	11	11	82	75.8	38	10	276	1.32			<.01	538	<1	169	7.84	772
North Tank	07/21	R1		50	11	11	82			11	279							169		
<b>Summary of Blanks</b>																				
San Ildefonso Trip Blank	05/24	1	1.35	.02	<.01	<.02	.38	.01	<.05	0	<.8	<.02	<.02	.052	<.01	2	<1	<.1	5.08	2
Santa Clara Trip Blank	05/18	1	.19	.09	.03	<.02	<.02	<.02	.24	0	<.7	<.02	<.02	<.01	<.01	.9	<1	.3	4.95	1
Cochiti Trip Blank	06/08	1	<10	<.4	<.04	<.6	<.3	<.5	<1	<5	<5	<.1	<.02	<.04	<.01	30	4	<1	5.79	1
<b>Water Quality Standards<sup>g</sup></b>																				
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard									500			4		10	0.2					
EPA Secondary Drinking Water Standard								250	250							500			6.8–8.5	
EPA Health Advisory							20													
NMWQCC Groundwater Limit								250	600			1.6		10	0.2	1,000			6–9	

<sup>a</sup> Except where noted.<sup>b</sup> Codes: uf—unfiltered; f—filtered; d—field duplicate; 1—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate; D1—lab duplicate.<sup>c</sup> Total dissolved solids.<sup>d</sup> Total suspended solids.<sup>e</sup> Standard units.<sup>f</sup> Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified limit of detection of the analytical method.<sup>g</sup> Standards given here for comparison only; see Appendix A.

**Table 5-44. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Pueblo Groundwater and Surface Water for 1995 (µg/L)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Ag	Al	As	B	Ba	Be	Cd	Co	Cr	Cu	Fe	Hg
<b>Pueblo of San Ildefonso</b>														
<b>Water Supply and Monitoring Wells:</b>														
LA-1A	05/24	1	<.5 <sup>b</sup>	390	4	200	290	<2	4	<2	34	10	29,300	<.2
LA-1B	05/24	1	<.5	30	17	310	30	<2	<2	<2	<2	19	90	<.2
Westside Artesian	05/24	1	<.5	50	6	1800	40	<2	<2	6	<2	4	210	<.2
Halladay House	05/24	1	<.5	30	8	60	40	<2	<2	<2	17	15	120	<.2
Pajarito Pump 1	05/24	1	<.5	150	7	1580	90	<2	<2	<2	<2	22	860	<.2
Pajarito Pump 2	05/24	1	<.5	80	12	430	100	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	30	<.2
Martinez House	05/24	1	<.5	130	8	120	180	2	5	55	55	34	560	<.2
Otowi House	05/24	1	<.5	140	2	60	310	<2	<2	<2	<2	5	280	<.2
New Community	05/24	1	<.5	90	4	40	20	12	<2	<2	<2	19	100	<.2
New Community	05/24	d 1	<.5	60	3	40	10	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	10	<.2
Sanchez House	05/24	1	<.5	70	14	250	90	<2	<2	<2	<2	13	30	<.2
<b>Alluvial Observation Wells:</b>														
BIA Wellpoint 1	05/24	1	2.6	202,000	820	4,390	3,610	25	200	220	310	700	5,440,000	<.2
BIA Wellpoint 3	05/25	1	.8	7,480	13	130	250	<2	<2	5	24	87	28,800	<.2
<b>Blanks:</b>														
San Ildefonso Trip Blank	05/24	1	<.5	10	<2	<10	<10	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	20	<.2
<b>Santa Clara Pueblo</b>														
<b>Water Supply Wells:</b>														
Community Above Village	05/18	1	<.5	90	3	120	60	<2	<2	<2	<2	8	60	<.2
Community Above Village	05/18	1	<.5	70	3	110	60	<2	3	<2	2	<2	<10	<.2
Naranjo House	05/18	1	<.5	100	5	50	140	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	20	<.2
Enos House	05/18	1	<.5	30	54	170	<10	<2	<2	<2	<2	9	40	<.2
Community New Subdivision	05/19	1	<.5	140	7	180	430	<2	<2	<2	<2	7	70	<.2
<b>Santa Clara Creek:</b>														
Singer Headgate	5/19	1	<.5	2,260	<2	<10	30	<2	<2	<2	<2	5	1,500	<.2
S C Crk @ Rio Grande	5/18	1	<.5	11,300	3	10	160	<2	3	<2	7	7	7,780	<.2

Table 5-44. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Pueblo Groundwater and Surface Water for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Ag	Al	As	B	Ba	Be	Cd	Co	Cr	Cu	Fe	Hg
<b>Rio Grande:</b>														
Ditch Headgate	5/18	1	<.5	6,160	3	20	110	<2	6	<2	9	13	4,810	<.2
Rio Grande @ S C Crk	5/18	1	<.5	4,180	5	<10	90	<2	2	<2	<2	8	2,670	<.2
<b>Blanks:</b>														
Santa Clara Trip Blank	05/18	1	<.5	10	<2	<10	<10	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	<10	<.2
<b>Cochiti Pueblo</b>														
Cochiti Lake 1	06/08	1	44	<100	<3	<10	140	<3	<3	<4	<4	24	<100	<.2
Cochiti 1	06/08	1	<40	<100	<3	<10	86	<3	<3	<4	<4	<4	<100	<.2
Cochiti 1	06/08	R1	<40	<100	<3	<10	87	<3	<3	<4	<4	<4	<100	<.2
Cochiti Golf Course	06/08	1	45	<100	<3	<10	66	<3	<3	<4	<4	15	<100	<.2
Tetilla Peak	06/08	1	<40	<100	<3	35	47	<3	<3	<4	<4	<4	<100	<.2
Cochiti Elementary	06/08	1	43	<100	<3	25	180	<3	<3	<4	<4	<4	<100	<.2
<b>Blanks:</b>														
Cochiti Trip Blank	06/08	1	42	<100	<3	<10	<4	<3	<3	<4	<4	<4	<100	<.2
<b>Jemez Pueblo</b>														
North Tank	07/21	1	<10	<100	21	620	320	<1	<3	<4	<4	<4	100	<.2
North Tank	07/21	R1	<10	<10	21	620	320	<1	<3	<4	<4	<4	100	<.2
<b>Summary of Blanks</b>														
San Ildefonso Trip Blank	05/24	1	<.5	10	<2	<10	<10	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	20	<.2
Santa Clara Trip Blank	05/18	1	<.5	10	<2	<10	<10	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	<10	<.2
Cochiti Trip Blank	06/08	1	42	<100	<3	<10	<4	<3	<3	<4	<4	<4	<100	<.2

**Table 5-44. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Pueblo Groundwater and Surface Water for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Ag	Al	As	B	Ba	Be	Cd	Co	Cr	Cu	Fe	Hg
<b>Water Quality Standards<sup>c</sup></b>														
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard					50		2,000	4	5		100			2
EPA Secondary Drinking Water Standard				50–200									300	
EPA Action Level												1,300		
NMWQCC Livestock Watering Standards				5,000	200	5,000			50	1,000	1,000	500		10
NMWQCC Groundwater Limit			50	5,000	100	750	1,000		10	50	50	1,000	1,000	2

<sup>a</sup>Codes: d—field duplicate; 1—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate.

<sup>b</sup>Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified limit of detection of the analytical method.

<sup>c</sup>Standards given here for comparison only, see Appendix A. Note that New Mexico Livestock and Groundwater limits (except for mercury) are based on dissolved concentrations, while many of these analyses are of unfiltered samples—thus concentrations may include suspended sediment quantities.

**Table 5-44. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Pueblo Groundwater and Surface Water for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Mn	Mo	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Sn	Sr	Tl	V	Zn
<b>Pueblo of San Ildefonso</b>													
<b>Water Supply and Monitoring Wells:</b>													
LA-1A	05/24	1	270	7	5	10	<2 <sup>b</sup>	<2	<5	500	<2	5	160
LA-1B	05/24	1	20	14	<2	<2	<2	<2	<5	100	<2	<2	10
Westside Artesian	05/24	1	<10	19	<2	<2	<2	<2	<5	340	<2	5	<10
Halladay House	05/24	1	<10	4	<2	2	<2	<2	<5	120	<2	23	10
Pajarito Pump 1	05/24	1	<10	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	<5	1,400	<2	16	70
Pajarito Pump 2	05/24	1	<10	8	<2	2	<2	<2	<5	520	<2	31	10
Martinez House	05/24	1	<10	6	<2	2	<2	<2	<5	560	<2	26	400
Otowi House	05/24	1	<10	<2	<2	2	<2	<2	<5	800	<2	7	310
New Community	05/24	1	<10	<2	<2	2	<2	<2	<5	210	<2	18	10
New Community	05/24	d 1	<10	<2	<2	2	<2	<2	<5	200	<2	6	<10
Sanchez House	05/24	1	<10	11	<2	3	<2	<2	<5	290	<2	20	20
<b>Alluvial Observation Wells:</b>													
BIA Wellpoint 1	05/24	1	32,900	19	550	820	<10	<10	<5	1,640	3	2,190	275,000
BIA Wellpoint 3	05/25	1	420	39	26	21	<2	<2	<5	160	<2	26	7,140
<b>Blanks:</b>													
San Ildefonso Trip Blank	05/24	1	<10	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	<5	<10	<2	<2	<10
<b>Santa Clara Pueblo</b>													
<b>Water Supply Wells:</b>													
Community Above Village	05/18	1	<10	7	5	<2	<2	<2	<5	560	<2	<2	<10
Community Above Village	05/18	d 1	<10	5	2	<2	<2	<2	<5	550	<2	2	<10
Naranjo House	05/18	1	<10	4	<2	<2	<2	<2	<5	350	<2	17	20
Enos House	05/18	1	<10	2	<2	<2	<2	<2	<5	30	<2	170	20
Community New Subdivision	05/19	1	30	78	3	<2	<2	<2	<5	700	<2	<2	370
<b>Santa Clara Creek:</b>													
Singer Headgate	5/19	1	90	2	<2	<2	<2	<2	<5	50	<2	2	<10
S C Crk @ Rio Grande	5/18	1	330	3	8	4	<2	<2	<5	120	<2	14	30



**Table 5-44. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Pueblo Groundwater and Surface Water for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Mn	Mo	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Sn	Sr	Tl	V	Zn
<b>Rio Grande:</b>													
Ditch Headgate	5/18	1	240	5	3	2	<2	<2	<5	240	<2	9	30
Rio Grande @ S C Crk	5/18	1	90	2	2	3	<2	<2	<5	150	<2	6	20
<b>Blanks:</b>													
Santa Clara Trip Blank	05/18	1	<10	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	<5	<10	<2	<2	<10
<b>Cochiti Pueblo</b>													
Cochiti Lake 1	06/08	1	<3	<8	<10	6	<2	<2	<30	100	<2	10	40
Cochiti 1	06/08	1	<3	<8	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	170	<2	10	<20
Cochiti 1	06/08	R1	<3	<8	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	170	<2	7	<20
Cochiti Golf Course	06/08	1	<3	<9	<10	3	<2	<2	<30	140	<2	<4	25
Tetilla Peak	06/08	1	<3	<8	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	290	<2	8	23
Cochiti Elementary	06/08	1	<3	<8	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	280	<2	<10	<20
<b>Blanks:</b>													
Cochiti Trip Blank	06/08	1	<3	<8	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	<3	<2	<10	29
<b>Jemez Pueblo</b>													
North Tank	07/21	1	50	11	<10	<30	<3	1	<30	700	<3	<4	<20
North Tank	07/21	R1	48	14	<10	<30	<3	1	<30	700	<3	<4	20
<b>Summary of Blanks</b>													
San Ildefonso Trip Blank	05/24	1	<10	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	<5	<10	<2	<2	<10
Santa Clara Trip Blank	05/18	1	<10	<2	<2	<2	<2	<2	<5	<10	<2	<2	<10
Cochiti Trip Blank	06/08	1	<3	<8	<10	<2	<2	<2	<30	<3	<2	<10	29

**Table 5-44. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Pueblo Groundwater and Surface Water for 1995 (µg/L) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	Mn	Mo	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Sn	Sr	Tl	V	Zn
<b>Water Quality Standards<sup>c</sup></b>													
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard					100		6	50			2		
EPA Secondary Drinking Water Standard			50										5,000
EPA Action Level						15							
EPA Health Advisory										25,000–90,000		80–110	
NMWQCC Livestock Watering Standards						100		50				100	25,000
NMWQCC Groundwater Limit			200	1,000	200	50		50					10,000

<sup>a</sup>Codes: d—field duplicate; 1—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate.

<sup>b</sup>Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified limit of detection of the analytical method.

<sup>c</sup>Standards given here for comparison only, see Appendix A. Note that New Mexico Livestock and Groundwater limits (except for mercury) are based on dissolved concentrations, while many of these analyses are of unfiltered samples—thus concentrations may include suspended sediment quantities.

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**Table 5-45. Number of Results Above the Analytical Limit of Quantitation for Organic Compounds in Pueblo Groundwater for 1995**

Station	Date	Type of Organic Compound		
		Volatile	Semivolatile	PCB
<b>Number of Compounds Analyzed</b>		59	69	4
<b>Pueblo of San Ildefonso</b>				
Pajarito Pump 1	05/24	0	0	0
Pajarito Pump 2	05/24	0	0	0
Martinez House	05/24	0	0	0
New Community	05/24	1	0	0
Sanchez House	05/24	0	0	0
<b>Santa Clara Pueblo</b>				
Community Above Village	05/18	0	0	0
Community New Subdivision	05/19	0	0	0
<b>Cochiti Pueblo</b>				
Cochiti 1	06/08	0	1	0
<b>Jemez Pueblo</b>				
North Tank	07/21	1	0	0

**Table 5-46. Results Above the Analytical Limit of Quantitation for Organic Compounds in Pueblo Groundwater for 1995 (µg/L)**

Station	Date	Analyte	Sample Value	Uncertainty	Limit of Quantitation	Analyte Suite <sup>a</sup>	Symbol <sup>b</sup>	CST-12 Comments on Analytical Results
<b>San Ildefonso Pueblo:</b>								
New Community Well	05/24	Di-n-butyl phthalate	11	3.3	11	svoa		
Trip Blank	06/08	Dimethyl-3-pentanone [2,4-]	6	0			TI	
<b>Cochiti Pueblo:</b>								
Cochiti Well 1	06/08	Di-n-butyl phthalate	14	4.2		svoa		found in method blank
<b>Jemez Pueblo:</b>								
North Tank	07/21	Chlorodibromomethane	5	1.5	5	voa		
Trip Blank	07/21	Ethyl-1-hexanol [2-]	8	0			TI	
Trip Blank	07/21	Unknown organic acid	12	0			TI	

<sup>a</sup>voa: volatile organics; svoa: semivolatile organics.<sup>b</sup>TI: tentatively identified compound.

Table 5-47. Radiochemical Analyses of Sediments on Pueblo of San Ildefonso Land for 1995

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	<sup>3</sup> H (nCi/L)	<sup>90</sup> Sr (pCi/g)	<sup>137</sup> Cs (pCi/g)	Total U (μg/L)	<sup>238</sup> Pu (pCi/g)	<sup>239,240</sup> Pu (pCi/g)	<sup>241</sup> Am (pCi/g)	Gross Alpha (pCi/g)	Gross Beta (pCi/g)	Gross Gamma (pCi/g)
<b>Rio Grande:</b>												
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	03/23	1	.2 (0.4)	.0 (0.2) <sup>b</sup>	.03 (.02)	1.57 (.28)	.009 (.002)	.024 (.003)	.004 (.001)	1.3 (0.3)	1.4 (0.2)	1.7 (0.2)
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	09/15	1	.0 (0.3)	.2 (0.2)	.07 (.02)		.002 (.001)	.003 (.001)		3.0 (0.6)	1.4 (0.2)	3.0 (0.3)
Rio Grande at Otowi (wdth intgrt)	09/15	1	.2 (0.4)	.0 (0.2)	.01 (.02)		.005 (.001)	.002 (.001)		2.0 (0.4)	.8 (0.2)	3.1 (0.4)
<b>Guaje Canyon:</b>												
Guaje at SR-502	03/21	1		.2 (0.2)	.04 (.02)	1.69 (.44)	.012 (.001)	.002 (.001)	.002 (.001)	1.7 (0.4)	1.4 (0.2)	2.2 (0.3)
<b>Bayo Canyon:</b>												
Bayo at SR-502	03/21	1		-.1 (0.3)	<.04 <sup>c</sup>	1.30 (.13)	.010 (.002)	.002 (.001)	.002 (.001)	1.0 (0.3)	1.0 (0.2)	2.6 (0.3)
<b>Pueblo Canyon:</b>												
Pueblo at SR-502	05/02	1		.1 (0.2)	.03 (.01)	1.64 (.16)	.009 (.004)	1.057 (.053)	.030 (.003)	2.0 (0.5)	.8 (0.2)	2.4 (0.3)
Pueblo at SR-502	05/02	R					.012 (.002)	.407 (.017)	.016 (.002)			
<b>Los Alamos Canyon:</b>												
Los Alamos at SR-4	05/03	1	.0 (0.3)	.2 (0.6)	1.45 (.15)	1.47 (.15)	.064 (.008)	.364 (.021)	.282 (.011)	3.0 (0.6)	3.0 (0.3)	4.1 (0.4)
Los Alamos at SR-4	05/03	R					.037 (.005)	.180 (.012)	.191 (.008)			
Los Alamos at Totavi	05/04	1	-.1 (0.3)	.1 (0.2)	.12 (.02)	2.64 (.26)	.002 (.001)	.103 (.005)	.073 (.012)	2.0 (0.4)	1.0 (0.2)	2.8 (0.3)
Los Alamos at Totavi	05/04	R					.003 (.001)	.120 (.006)	.016 (.003)			
Los Alamos at LA-2	05/04	1	-.3 (0.3)	.0 (0.2)	.08 (.02)	1.54 (.15)	.006 (.002)	.125 (.010)	.011 (.002)	2.0 (0.5)	1.0 (0.2)	1.7 (0.2)
Los Alamos at LA-2	05/04	R					.002 (.001)	.099 (.006)				
Los Alamos at Otowi	05/04	1	-.1 (0.3)	.4 (0.4)	-.01 (.09)	1.93 (.19)	.005 (.002)	.204 (.011)	.016 (.002)	2.0 (0.5)	.5 (0.1)	2.0 (0.3)
Los Alamos at Otowi	05/04	R					.002 (.001)	.138 (.007)	.012 (.002)			
<b>Mortandad Canyon:</b>												
MCO-13 (A-5)	05/04	1	.5 (0.3)	.2 (0.2)	.26 (.04)	1.79 (.18)	.001 (.001)	.027 (.003)	.009 (.002)	5.0 (1.0)	4.0 (0.5)	2.4 (0.3)
MCO-13 (A-5)	05/04	R					.001 (.001)	.013 (.002)	.005 (.001)			
A-6	05/31	1	.3 (0.3)	.5 (0.3)	.50 (.08)	2.50 (.43)	.008 (.001)	.036 (.003)	.013 (.003)	6.1 (1.2)	5.0 (0.5)	3.4 (0.4)
A-6	05/31	R										
A-7	05/31	1	-.1 (0.3)	.2 (0.2)	.13 (.03)	.32 (.04)	.004 (.002)	.011 (.002)	.003 (.002)	3.3 (0.7)	2.3 (0.3)	1.8 (0.2)
A-8	05/31	1	-.1 (0.3)	.2 (0.2)	.15 (.04)	2.74 (.27)	.002 (.001)	.012 (.002)	.003 (.002)	4.2 (0.9)	3.2 (0.3)	2.7 (0.3)
Mortandad at SR-4 (A-9)	05/31	1	.3 (0.3)	.0 (0.2)	.06 (.02)	2.33 (.23)	.002 (.001)	.003 (.001)	.002 (.002)	3.5 (0.7)	2.4 (0.3)	2.2 (0.3)
A-10	05/31	1	.2 (0.3)	.1 (0.5)	<.03	.39 (.04)	.004 (.001)	.002 (.001)	.001 (.001)	2.1 (0.5)	1.4 (0.2)	2.4 (0.3)
Mortandad at Rio Grande (A-11)	09/11	1	-.1 (0.3)		.03 (.01)	1.78 (.21)	.003 (.001)	.005 (.001)	.002 (.001)	2.0 (0.6)	1.2 (0.2)	2.6 (0.3)
<b>Detection Limits</b>												
<b>Sediment Standards</b>			0.2	10	0.05	0.25	0.005	0.005	0.005	1.5	1.5	0.8
Historical Background (x+2s) <sup>d</sup>				0.87	0.44	4.4	0.006	0.023				7.9
SAL <sup>e</sup>			20.0	5.9	4.0	95.0	20.0	18.0	17.0			

<sup>a</sup> Code: 1—primary analysis; R—lab replicate.<sup>b</sup> Radioactivity counting uncertainties are shown in parentheses; these are ±1 standard deviation, except for tritium, which is ±3 standard deviations. These uncertainties are less than analytical uncertainties. Reported values that are less than two standard deviations are considered nondetection.<sup>c</sup> Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified limit of detection of the analytical method.<sup>d</sup> Purtymun (1987a); for comparison only. Here background is defined as mean plus two times standard deviation (x+2s).<sup>e</sup> SAL-Screening Action Level; Environmental Restoration, 1995; see text for details.

**Table 5-48. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Sediments at Pueblo of San Ildefonso in 1995 (mg/kg)**

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	Ag	Al	As	B	Ba	Be	Cd	Co	Cr	Cu	Fe	Hg
<b>Rio Grande</b>														
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	09/15	1	1.0 <sup>b</sup>	4,300	3.0	2.0	140.0	0.13	<0.4 <sup>c</sup>	3.30	7.0	6.7	7,800	<0.03
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	09/15	R												<0.03
Rio Grande at Otowi (wdth intgrt)	09/15	1	<1.0	780	0.9	<1.0	25.0	<0.08	<0.4	0.62	1.7	3.9	2,300	0.03
Rio Grande at Otowi (wdth intgrt)	09/15	R												<0.03
<b>Pueblo Canyon:</b>														
Pueblo at SR-502	05/02	1	<5.0	5,500	0.8	7.6	46.0	0.55	<0.4	0.94	3.6	2.4	9,300	
<b>Los Alamos Canyon:</b>														
Los Alamos at SR-4	05/03	1	<5.0	2,300	0.8	3.2	17.0	0.12	<0.4	0.87	1.9	1.2	4,600	
<b>Sandia Canyon:</b>														
Sandia at Rio Grande	09/11	1	2.0	7,100	0.9	1.7	92.0	0.57	<0.4	4.00	10.0	5.6	12,000	<0.03
Sandia at Rio Grande	09/11	R												0.03
<b>Mortandad Canyon:</b>														
Mortandad at MCO-13 (A-5)	05/04	1	<1.0	4,400	1.0	5.6	68.0	0.43	0.4	4.10	2.6	3.2	5,500	
Mortandad A-6	05/31	1	<1.0	6,800	1.0	4.0	58.0	0.53	0.9	2.60	4.9	3.6	7,800	0.01
Mortandad A-6	05/31	R												<0.01
Mortandad A-7	05/31	1	<1.0	3,100	<0.5	3.0	19.0	0.29	0.8	1.30	2.5	<0.5	3,900	<0.01
Mortandad A-7	05/31	R												<0.01
Mortandad A-8	05/31	1	<1.0	5,500	1.0	4.0	52.0	0.53	0.7	2.60	4.5	1.9	7,300	<0.01
Mortandad A-8	05/31	R												<0.01
Mortandad at SR-4 (A-9)	05/31	1	<1.0	6,600	1.0	4.0	84.0	0.54	1.2	4.30	6.0	1.2	8,100	<0.01
Mortandad at SR-4 (A-9)	05/31	R												<0.01
Mortandad A-10	05/31	1	<1.0	6,500	0.9	3.4	70.0	0.40	1.1	3.70	6.1	<0.5	8,900	<0.01
Mortandad A-10	05/31	R												<0.01
Mortandad at Rio Grande (A-11)	09/11	1	1.9	8,900	2.0	<1.2	140.0	0.55	<0.4	6.00	9.2	7.9	12,000	0.03
Mortandad at Rio Grande (A-11)	09/11	R												0.03
<b>Detection Limits</b>			1.0	17	0.5	1.0	0.14	0.08	0.4	0.50	0.5	0.5	14	0.01

Table 5-48. Total Recoverable Trace Metals in Sediments at Pueblo of San Ildefonso in 1995 (mg/kg) (Cont.)

Station Name	Date	Code <sup>a</sup>	Mn	Mo	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Sn	Sr	Tl	V	Zn
<b>Rio Grande</b>													
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	09/15	1	230	<0.9	3.8	<4.1	<0.25	0.3	<4.0	71.0	<0.25	14.0	20.0
Rio Grande at Otowi (bank)	09/15	R											
Rio Grande at Otowi (width intgrt)	09/15	1	91	1.3	<1.2	<4.1	<0.25	<0.3	<4.0	8.1	<0.25	3.3	8.0
Rio Grande at Otowi (width intgrt)	09/15	R											
<b>Pueblo Canyon:</b>													
Pueblo at SR-502	05/02	1	210	<0.9	<2.0	11.0	<0.40	0.3	<3.0	8.1	<0.40	8.6	57.0
<b>Los Alamos Canyon:</b>													
Los Alamos at SR-4	05/03	1	120	<0.9	<2.0	10.0	<0.40	0.3	<3.0	3.7	<0.40	3.9	26.0
<b>Sandia Canyon:</b>													
Sandia at Rio Grande	09/11	1	350	1.8	8.9	13.0	<0.25	0.3	<4.0	29.0	<0.25	20.0	77.0
Sandia at Rio Grande	09/11	R											
<b>Mortandad Canyon:</b>													
Mortandad at MCO-13 (A-5)	05/04	1	550	<2.0	<2.0	<10.0	<0.40	0.3	<6.0	6.0	<0.40	6.3	30.0
Mortandad A-6	05/31	1	300	<0.9	<2.0	11.6	<0.25	0.3	<4.0	8.1	<0.25	9.4	56.0
Mortandad A-6	05/31	R											
Mortandad A-7	05/31	1	140	<0.9	<2.0	4.1	<0.25	0.2	<4.0	<0.3	<0.25	4.4	20.0
Mortandad A-7	05/31	R											
Mortandad A-8	05/31	1	280	<0.9	<2.0	7.6	<0.25	0.2	<4.0	6.4	<0.25	9.0	33.0
Mortandad A-8	05/31	R											
Mortandad at SR-4 (A-9)	05/31	1	370	<0.9	<2.0	9.2	<0.25	0.3	<4.0	9.4	<0.25	11.0	31.0
Mortandad at SR-4 (A-9)	05/31	R											
Mortandad A-10	05/31	1	300	<0.9	<2.0	6.8	<0.25	0.3	<4.0	8.1	<0.25	13.0	30.0
Mortandad A-10	05/31	R											
Mortandad at Rio Grande (A-11)	09/11	1	410	<0.9	8.2	8.5	<0.25	0.6	<4.0	32.0	<0.25	15.0	40.0
Mortandad at Rio Grande (A-11)	09/11	R											
<b>Detection Limits</b>			0.2	0.9	2.0	0.2	0.20	0.3	4.0	0.3	0.20	0.5	1.0

<sup>a</sup>Code: 1—primary analysis; R—laboratory replicate.<sup>b</sup>Measurement uncertainty is approximately 10% of reported value.<sup>c</sup>Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified detection limit on the analytical method.

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**Table 5-49. Tritium Analyses of Pueblo Groundwater and Surface Water for 1995 (pCi/L)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	<sup>3</sup> H (CST-9)	<sup>3</sup> H (U of Miami) <sup>b</sup>
<b>Pueblo of San Ildefonso</b>				
<b>Water Supply and Monitoring Wells:</b>				
LA-1A	05/24	1	$-300 \pm 300^c$	$8.75 \pm 0.38^d$
LA-1B	05/24	1	$0 \pm 300$	$1.63 \pm 0.29$
Westside Artesian	05/24	1	$0 \pm 300$	$0.51 \pm 0.29$
Halladay House	05/24	1	$-100 \pm 300$	$0.96 \pm 0.29$
Pajarito Pump 1	05/24	1	$200 \pm 300$	$0.57 \pm 0.29$
Pajarito Pump 2	05/24	1	$-100 \pm 300$	$3.29 \pm 0.29$
Martinez House	05/24	1	$-100 \pm 300$	$7.85 \pm 0.38$
Otowi House	05/24	1	$700 \pm 300$	$100.26 \pm 3.19$
New Community	05/24	1	$-400 \pm 300$	$14.66 \pm 0.48$
New Community	05/24	d 1	$2,700 \pm 500$	
Sanchez House	05/24	1	$2,100 \pm 400$	$15.65 \pm 0.48$
<b>Springs:</b>				
Basalt Spring	05/25	1	$600 \pm 300$	$88.13 \pm 2.87$
Basalt Spring	05/25	R1	$800 \pm 400$	
La Mesita Spring	05/24	1	$-100 \pm 300$	$-0.22 \pm 0.29$
Sacred Spring	05/24	1	$3,800 \pm 600$	$3.42 \pm 0.35$
Indian Spring	05/25	1	$-100 \pm 300$	$4.06 \pm 0.35$
<b>Alluvial Observation Wells:</b>				
BIA Wellpoint 1	05/24	1	$800 \pm 300$	$125.48 \pm 3.83$
BIA Wellpoint 3	05/25	1	$200 \pm 300$	$86.85 \pm 2.87$
<b>Blanks:</b>				
PM-2 Blank	05/23			$0.03 \pm 0.29$
Blank A				$9.80 \pm 0.38$
Blank A				$8.59 \pm 0.35$
<b>Santa Clara Pueblo</b>				
<b>Water Supply Wells:</b>				
Community Above Village	05/18	1	$-200 \pm 300$	$1.82 \pm 0.32$
Community Above Village	05/18	d 1	$-400 \pm 300$	
Naranjo House	05/18	1	$-300 \pm 300$	$2.20 \pm 0.42$
Enos House	05/18	1	$-500 \pm 300$	$0.57 \pm 0.29$
Community New Subdivision	05/19	1	$-200 \pm 300$	$1.56 \pm 0.29$
Ranger Station	05/18			$8.14 \pm 0.29$
<b>Santa Clara Creek:</b>				
Head Waters	05/19			$32.41 \pm 0.83$
Singer Headgate	05/19			$30.05 \pm 0.80$
Below 3rd Pond	05/19			$30.05 \pm 0.86$
Power Lines	05/19			$30.01 \pm 0.83$
S C Crk @ Rio Grande	05/18			$27.52 \pm 0.73$
<b>Rio Grande:</b>				
Ditch Headgate	05/18			$35.44 \pm 0.96$
Rio Grande @ S C Crk	05/18			$41.83 \pm 0.96$
<b>Blanks:</b>				
PM-2 Blank	05/23			$0.51 \pm 0.29$
Blank A				$8.65 \pm 0.32$
Blank A				$9.20 \pm 0.35$



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**Table 5-49. Tritium Analyses of Pueblo Groundwater and Surface Water for 1995 (pCi/L) (Cont.)**

Station Name	Date	Codes <sup>a</sup>	<sup>3</sup> H (CST-9)	<sup>3</sup> H (U of Miami) <sup>b</sup>
<b>Cochiti Pueblo</b>				
<b>Wells:</b>				
Cochiti Lake 1	06/08	1	-200 ± 300	0.45 ± 0.29
Cochiti 1	06/08	1	-100 ± 300	0.73 ± 0.29
Cochiti Golf Course	06/08	1	0 ± 400	5.14 ± 0.29
Tetilla Peak	06/08	1	-100 ± 300	35.12 ± 1.28
Cochiti Elementary	06/08	1	-200 ± 300	0.99 ± 0.29
<b>Blanks:</b>				
Blank PM-2	05/23			0.26 ± 0.29
Blank A				9.71 ± 0.42
Blank A				8.08 ± 0.45
<b>Jemez Pueblo</b>				
<b>Water Supply System:</b>				
Convenience Store	07/21			37.36 ± 1.28
North Tank	07/21	1	-100 ± 300	54.28 ± 1.92
Toya House	07/21			53.32 ± 1.92
Waquie House	07/21			46.62 ± 1.60
Owl Springs	07/21			23.44 ± 0.77
<b>Blanks:</b>				
PM-2 Blank	05/23			0.29 ± 0.29
Blank A				9.00 ± 0.42
Blank A				8.24 ± 0.45
<b>Water Quality Standards<sup>c</sup></b>				
DOE DCG for Public Dose			2,000,000	2,000,000
EPA Primary Drinking Water Standard			20,000	20,000

<sup>a</sup>Codes: d—field duplicate; 1—primary analysis; R1—lab replicate.

<sup>b</sup>Results from University of Miami Tritium Laboratory. Data are reported in tritium units (TU) and converted to pCi/L (1 TU = 3.193 pCi/L).

<sup>c</sup>Radioactivity counting uncertainties (three standard deviations) follow the ± sign. Values less than two standard deviations are considered a nondetection.

<sup>d</sup>Analytical method uncertainties (one standard deviation) follow the ± sign for Miami tritium values.

<sup>e</sup>Standards given here for comparison only; see Appendix A.

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**Table 5-50. 1995 Low Detection Limit Tritium Blank Data**

Station	Date	TU <sup>a</sup>	±TU <sup>b</sup>	pCi/L	±pCi/L
<b>PM-2 Tritium Values</b>					
<b>Prior PM-2 Values</b>					
PM-2	2/14/1992	0.04	0.09	0.13	0.29
PM-2	8/18/1992	0.15	0.09	0.48	0.29
PM-2	5/19/1993	0.49	0.09	1.56	0.29
<b>1995 Pueblo PM-2 Blanks</b>					
PM-2 Blank	5/23/1995	0.16	0.09	0.51	0.29
PM-2 Blank	5/23/1995	0.01	0.09	0.03	0.29
PM-2 Blank	5/23/1995	0.08	0.09	0.26	0.29
PM-2 Blank	5/23/1995	0.09	0.09	0.29	0.29
<b>Mean</b>		<b>0.14</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>0.47</b>	<b>0.29</b>
Std. Dev.		0.16	0.00	0.51	0.00
<b>Blank A Values<sup>c</sup></b>					
Blank A	5/26/1995	2.71	0.10	8.65	0.32
Blank A	5/26/1995	2.88	0.11	9.20	0.35
Blank A		3.07	0.12	9.80	0.38
Blank A		2.69	0.11	8.59	0.35
Blank A		3.04	0.13	9.71	0.42
Blank A		2.53	0.14	8.08	0.45
Blank A		2.82	0.13	9.00	0.42
Blank A		2.58	0.14	8.24	0.45
<b>Mean</b>		<b>2.79</b>	<b>0.12</b>	<b>8.91</b>	<b>0.39</b>
Std. Dev.		0.20	0.01	0.64	0.05
<b>Expected<sup>c</sup></b>		<b>2.57</b>	<b>0.47</b>	<b>8.21</b>	<b>1.50</b>
<b>Blank B Values<sup>c</sup></b>					
LL H3 Blank B		0.19	0.09	0.61	0.29
TW8 H3 Blank B	7/18/1995	0.29	0.09	0.93	0.29
TW4 H3 Blank B	7/18/1995	0.08	0.09	0.26	0.29
TW3 H3 Blank B	7/18/1995	0.40	0.13	1.28	0.42
<b>Mean</b>		<b>0.24</b>	<b>0.10</b>	<b>0.77</b>	<b>0.32</b>
Std. Dev.		0.14	0.02	0.44	0.06
<b>Expected<sup>c</sup></b>		<b>0.04</b>	<b>0.28</b>	<b>0.12</b>	<b>0.89</b>

<sup>a</sup> 1 TU = 3.193 pCi/L.

<sup>b</sup> Tritium analytical method uncertainties (one standard deviation).

<sup>c</sup> University of Waterloo Environmental Isotope Laboratory prepared tritium standards. Prepared standard uncertainties are given as ± one standard deviation.

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**Table 5-51. Wells Equipped with Recording Transducers in 1995**

Well	Date Started	Date Ended	Water Depth <sup>a</sup> (ft)	Elevation <sup>b</sup> (ft)
<b>Main Aquifer Test Wells</b>				
TW-1	10-14	12-31	550.15 <sup>a</sup>	5,818.03 <sup>b</sup>
TW-2	01-01	12-31	796.84	5,851.92
TW-3	10-14	12-31	781.78	5,815.83
TW-4	01-01	12-31	1,177.23	6,069.10
TW-8	01-11	12-31	994.43	5,883.60
DT-5A	10-24	12-31	1,183.47	5,961.16
DT-9	02-24	12-31	1,115.50	5,921.21
DT-10	02-24	12-31	1,097.03	5,922.89
LA-1B	01-01	12-31	artesian	5,635.29 <sup>c</sup>
LA-1A	01-01	12-31	artesian	T.O.C. <sup>d</sup>
<b>Municipal Water Supply Wells</b>				
Otowi-1	02-09	12-31	678.25	5,720.50
<b>Intermediate Perched Zone Wells</b>				
TW-1A	01-01	12-31	194.05	6,177.17
TW-2A	10-18	12-31	117.27	6,536.09
LADP-3	10-18	12-31	322.86	6,435.20
<b>Canyon Alluvial Wells</b>				
LAO-3	01-01	11-02	10.67	6,569.68
LAO-4	01-01	12-31	15.45	6,506.16
<b>Other Wells</b>				
CH-2	01-01	12-31	508.31	6,636.14

<sup>a</sup>Depth to water measured below top of casing on end date.

<sup>b</sup>Water elevation relative to mean sea level (MSL) on end date.

<sup>c</sup>Overflow drain-pipe elevation is about 5,616 ft above MSL; top-of-pipe elevation is about 5,622 ft above MSL. Water levels were recorded using a mechanical packer set below the overflow pipe.

<sup>d</sup>T.O.C.: Top of casing reference point.

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**Table 5-52. RESRAD<sup>a</sup> Input Parameters for Mortandad Canyon Sediments Collected in 1995**

Parameter	Value	Comments
Area of contaminated zone	10,000 m <sup>2b</sup>	RESRAD default value; a larger area maximizes exposure via external gamma, inhalation and ingestion pathways
Thickness of contaminated zone	3 m	Based on mesa top conditions <sup>c</sup>
Time since placement of material	0 yr	Assumes current year (i.e., no radioactive decay) and minimal weathering
Cover depth	0 m	Assumption of no cover maximizes dose
Density of contaminated zone	1.6 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	Based on previous models <sup>d</sup> and mesa top conditions <sup>c</sup>
Contaminated zone erosion rate	0.001 m/yr	RESRAD default value
Contaminated zone total porosity	0.5	Average from several samples in Mortandad Canyon <sup>e</sup>
Contaminated zone effective porosity	0.3	Table 3.2 in data handbook <sup>f</sup>
Contaminated zone hydraulic conductivity	440 m/yr	An average value for soil (not tuff) <sup>g</sup>
Contaminated zone b parameter	4.05	Mortandad Canyon consists of two units, the top most unit being sand <sup>h</sup> and Table 13.1 in the data handbook <sup>f</sup>
Humidity in air	4.8 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	Average value from Los Alamos Climatology <sup>i</sup>
Evapotranspirations coefficient	0.85	Based on tritium oxide tracers in Mortandad Canyon <sup>j</sup>
Precipitation	0.48 m/yr	Average value from Los Alamos Climatology <sup>i</sup>
Irrigation rate	0 m/yr	Water in Mortandad Canyon is not used
Runoff coefficient	0.52	Based on mesa top conditions <sup>c</sup>
Inhalation rate	8400 m <sup>3</sup> /yr	RESRAD default value
Mass loading for inhalation	5.53 × 10 <sup>-5</sup> g/m <sup>3</sup>	Factor used for benchmarking against several codes <sup>k</sup>
Exposure duration	1 year	Assumes current year exposure only
Dilution length for airborne dust	3 m	RESRAD default value
Shielding factor, inhalation	0.4	RESRAD default value
Shielding factor, external gamma	0.7	RESRAD default value
Fraction of time spent indoors each year	0.7	Based on 18 h/d <sup>c</sup>
Fraction of time spent outdoors	0.01	Assumes an industrial scenario where access to site is somewhat limited <sup>l</sup>
Shape factor	1	Corresponds to a contaminated area larger than a circular area of 1200 m <sup>2</sup>
Depth of soil mixing layer	0.15 m	RESRAD default value.
Soil ingestion rate	44 g/yr	Calculated based on 100 mg/d for 24 yr (adult) and 200 mg/d for 6 yr (child) <sup>c</sup>

<sup>a</sup>RESRAD is a computer modeling code designed to model radionuclide transport in the environment.

<sup>b</sup>For sampling locations MCO-5 and GS-1, the area of the contaminated zone was assumed to be 100 m<sup>2</sup>.

<sup>c</sup>Fresquez 1996.

<sup>d</sup>Buhl 1989.

<sup>e</sup>Stoker 1991.

<sup>f</sup>Yu 1993.

<sup>g</sup>Nyhan 1978.

<sup>h</sup>Purtyman 1983.

<sup>i</sup>Bowen 1990.

<sup>j</sup>Penrose 1990.

<sup>k</sup>Faillace 1993.

<sup>l</sup>Robinson 1991.

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**Table 5-53. RESRAD<sup>a</sup> Input for Initial Radionuclide Concentrations (pCi/g)**

Location	<sup>3</sup> H	<sup>90</sup> Sr	<sup>137</sup> Cs	<sup>234</sup> U	<sup>235</sup> U	<sup>238</sup> U	<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>239</sup> Pu	<sup>241</sup> Am
Mortandad Canyon	588 (1440) <sup>b</sup>	0.342 (0.348) <sup>b</sup>	3.31 (7.59) <sup>b</sup>	0.556 (0.284) <sup>b</sup>	0.0239 (0.0122) <sup>b</sup>	0.511 (0.261) <sup>b</sup>	1.05 (2.15) <sup>b</sup>	1.85 (3.22) <sup>b</sup>	2.47 (4.50) <sup>b</sup>
GS-1	4930 (430) <sup>c</sup>	0.3 (0.3) <sup>c</sup>	25.7 (1.90) <sup>c</sup>	0.481 (0.047) <sup>c</sup>	0.0207 (0.0020) <sup>c</sup>	0.442 (0.043) <sup>c</sup>	6.92 (1.05) <sup>b</sup>	7.71 (1.14) <sup>b</sup>	13.4 (2.33) <sup>b</sup>
MCO-5	1610 (271) <sup>b</sup>	1.3 (0.7) <sup>c</sup>	12.8 (1.00) <sup>c</sup>	0.452 (0.047) <sup>c</sup>	0.0194 (0.0020) <sup>c</sup>	0.416 (0.043) <sup>c</sup>	2.47 (0.304) <sup>b</sup>	7.21 (1.09) <sup>b</sup>	7.17 (2.12) <sup>b</sup>

<sup>a</sup>RESRAD is a computer modeling code designed to model radionuclide transport in the environment.

<sup>b</sup>One standard deviation of analytical results

<sup>c</sup>One counting uncertainty of analytical results.

**Table 5-54. Total Effective Dose Equivalent for Mortandad Canyon (mrem)**

Location	<sup>3</sup> H	<sup>90</sup> Sr	<sup>137</sup> Cs	<sup>234</sup> U	<sup>235</sup> U	<sup>238</sup> U	<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>239</sup> Pu	<sup>241</sup> Am	Total
Mortandad Canyon	0.277 (0.680) <sup>a</sup>	0.006 (0.012)	5.433 (12.44)	0.015 (0.008)	0.009 (0.005)	0.046 (0.024)	0.163 (0.334)	0.317 (0.515)	0.487 (0.890)	6.754 (14.94)
GS-1	0.232 (0.020)	0.004 (0.004)	35.36 (2.614)	0.007 (0.0007)	0.007 (0.0007)	0.031 (0.003)	0.359 (0.055)	0.438 (0.065)	1.032 (0.180)	37.47 (2.942)
MCO-5	0.076 (0.013)	0.016 (0.009)	17.61 (1.376)	0.007 (0.0007)	0.006 (0.0007)	0.029 (0.003)	0.128 (0.016)	0.410 (0.062)	0.554 (0.164)	18.84 (1.643)

<sup>a</sup>One standard deviation in parenthesis.

**Table 5-55. Maximum Total Effective Dose Equivalent (Average + 2 Sigma) (mrem)**

Location	<sup>3</sup> H	<sup>90</sup> Sr	<sup>137</sup> Cs	<sup>234</sup> U	<sup>235</sup> U	<sup>238</sup> U	<sup>238</sup> Pu	<sup>239</sup> Pu	<sup>241</sup> Am	Total
Mortandad Canyon	1.636	0.018	30.313	0.030	0.019	0.093	0.830	1.419	2.266	36.634
GS-1	0.272	0.012	40.588	0.008	0.008	0.037	0.468	0.567	1.393	43.353
MCO-5	0.102	0.034	20.362	0.008	0.007	0.035	0.160	0.533	0.882	22.123

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**Table 5-56. Total Committed Effective Dose Equivalent (mrem)<sup>a</sup> from the Consumption of Water from the TA-50 Effluent and the Stream Below the Outfall during 1995**

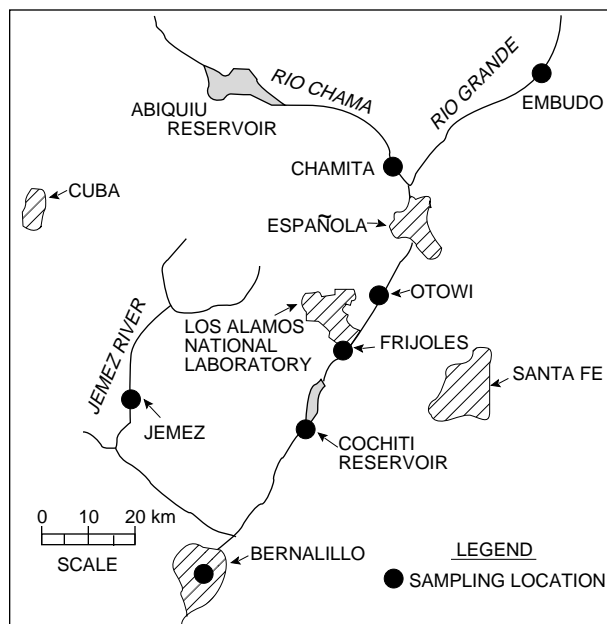
Radionuclide	Per Liter		Exercise Scenario			
	TA-50 Effluent	Stream below Outfall	Maximum Consumption <sup>b</sup>		Average Consumption <sup>c</sup>	
			TA-50 Effluent	Stream below Outfall	TA-50 Effluent	Stream below Outfall
Tritium	$2.6 \times 10^{-3}$	$9.8 \times 10^{-4}$	$4.2 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.6 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-2}$	$5.6 \times 10^{-3}$
<sup>89</sup> Sr	$5.7 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.1 \times 10^{-5}$	$9.2 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.4 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.3 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-4}$
<sup>90</sup> Sr	$4.8 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.8 \times 10^{-3}$	$7.7 \times 10^{-2}$	$2.9 \times 10^{-2}$	$2.7 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.0 \times 10^{-2}$
<sup>137</sup> Cs	$1.9 \times 10^{-2}$	$7.0 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.0 \times 10^{-1}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-1}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-1}$	$4.0 \times 10^{-2}$
<sup>56</sup> Co	$8.4 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.1 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.4 \times 10^{-1}$	$5.1 \times 10^{-2}$	$4.8 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.8 \times 10^{-2}$
<sup>57</sup> Co	$1.3 \times 10^{-3}$	$4.9 \times 10^{-4}$	$2.1 \times 10^{-2}$	$8.0 \times 10^{-3}$	$7.6 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.8 \times 10^{-3}$
<sup>58</sup> Co	$5.3 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.0 \times 10^{-3}$	$8.5 \times 10^{-2}$	$3.2 \times 10^{-2}$	$3.0 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-2}$
<sup>234</sup> U	$3.7 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.4 \times 10^{-3}$	$6.0 \times 10^{-2}$	$2.2 \times 10^{-2}$	$2.1 \times 10^{-2}$	$8.0 \times 10^{-3}$
<sup>235</sup> U	$1.3 \times 10^{-3}$	$5.0 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.2 \times 10^{-3}$	$8.0 \times 10^{-4}$	$7.6 \times 10^{-4}$	$2.9 \times 10^{-4}$
<sup>238</sup> Pu	$7.4 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.8 \times 10^{-1}$	$1.2 \times 10^{+1}$	$4.5 \times 10^0$	$4.2 \times 10^0$	$1.6 \times 10^0$
<sup>239</sup> Pu	$1.5 \times 10^{-1}$	$5.8 \times 10^{-2}$	$2.5 \times 10^0$	$9.3 \times 10^{-1}$	$8.8 \times 10^{-1}$	$3.3 \times 10^{-1}$
<sup>241</sup> Am	$3.6 \times 10^{-1}$	$1.3 \times 10^{-1}$	$5.8 \times 10^0$	$2.2 \times 10^0$	$2.0 \times 10^0$	$7.7 \times 10^{-1}$
<b>Total CEDE</b>	$1.3 \times 10^0$	$4.9 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.1 \times 10^{+1}$	$7.8 \times 10^0$	$7.4 \times 10^0$	$2.8 \times 10^0$

<sup>a</sup>Based on DOE dose conversion factors (DOE 1988).

<sup>b</sup>Maximum consumption rate is 16.1 L/year (0.8 L/event). See text for assumptions.

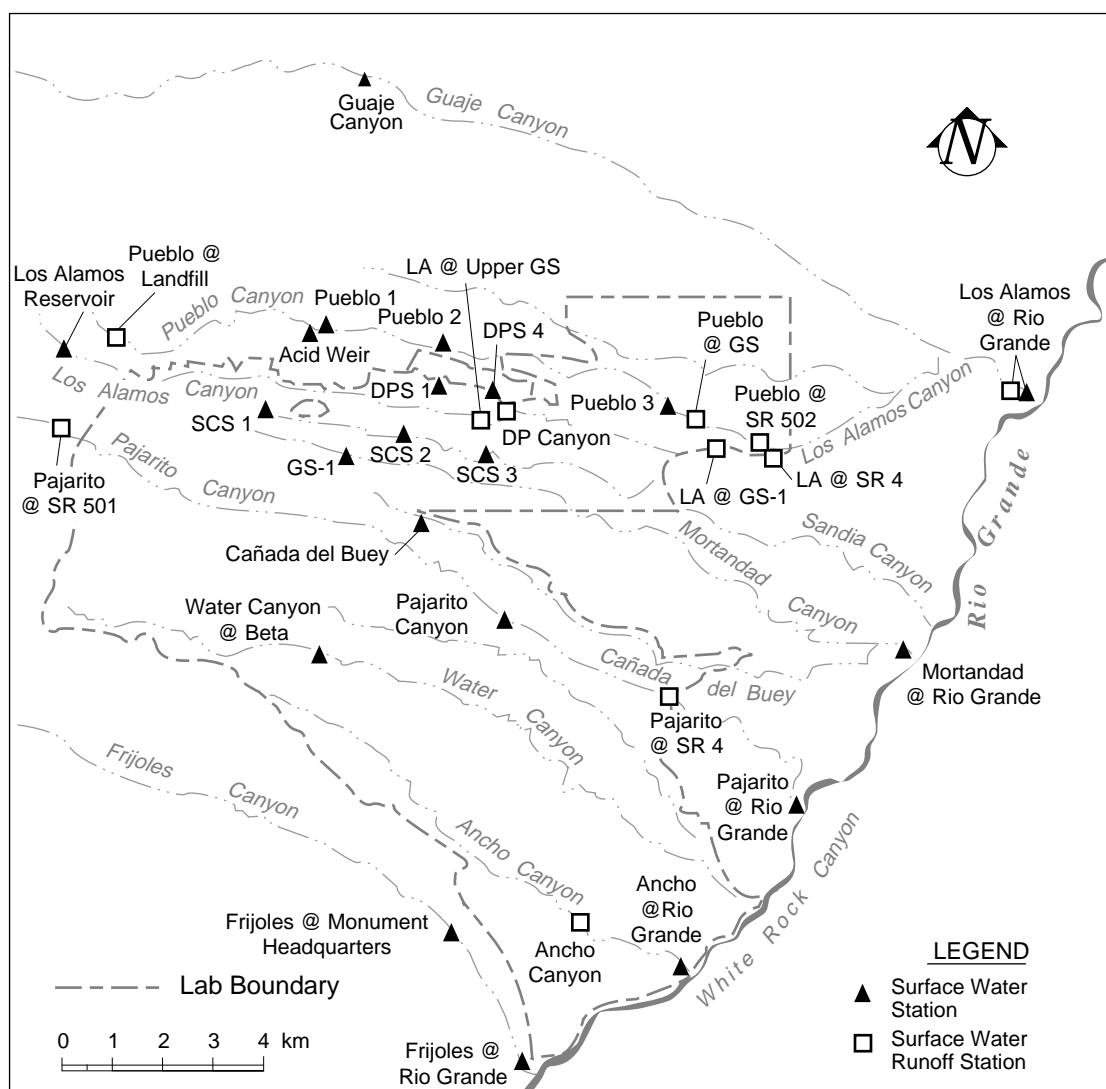
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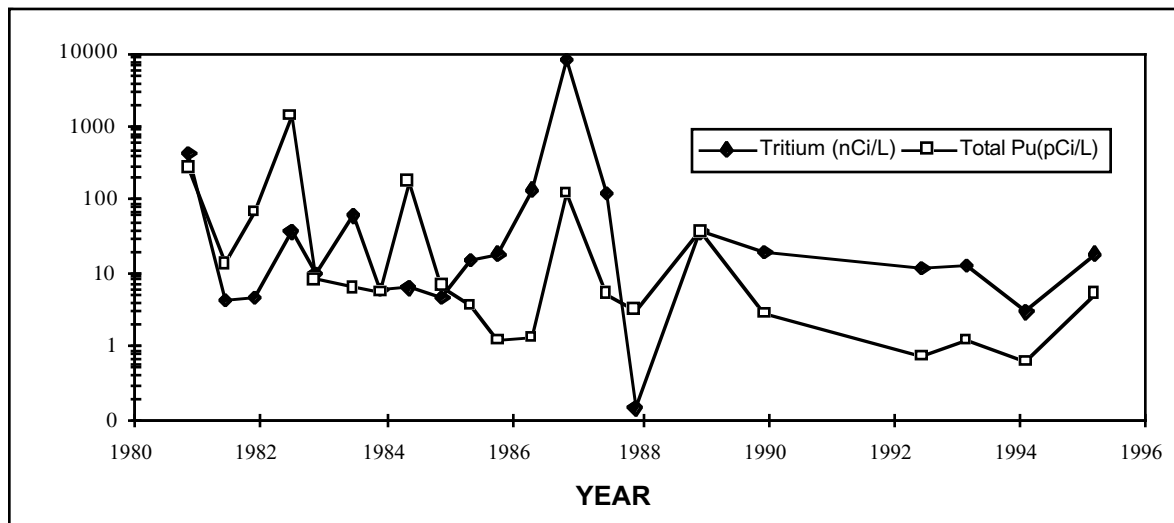
**Figure 5-1.** Regional surface water and sediment sampling locations.

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**Figure 5-2.** Surface water sampling locations in the vicinity of Los Alamos National Laboratory.

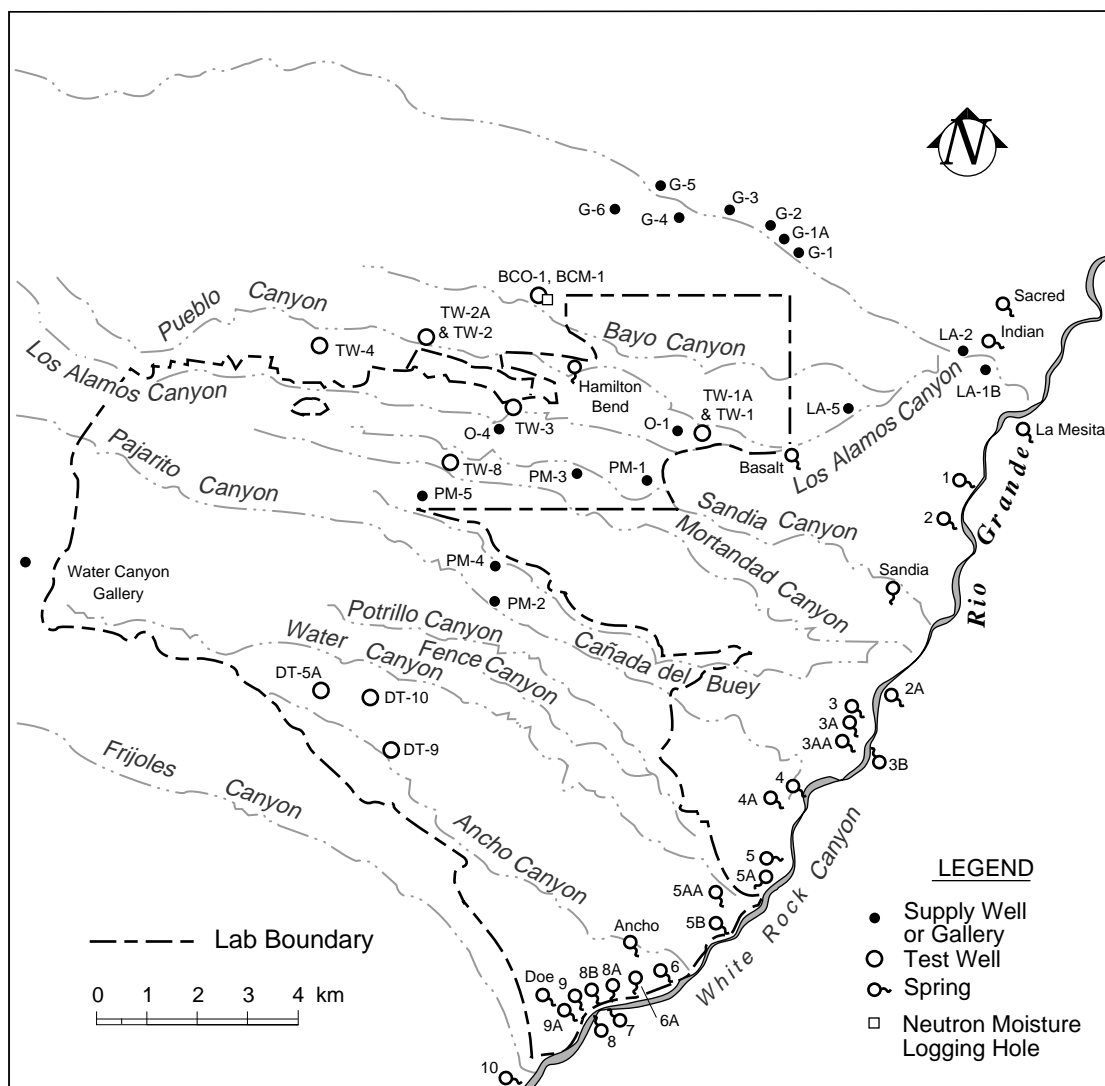
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**Figure 5-3.** Tritium and plutonium concentrations at Mortandad Canyon at Gaging Station 1.

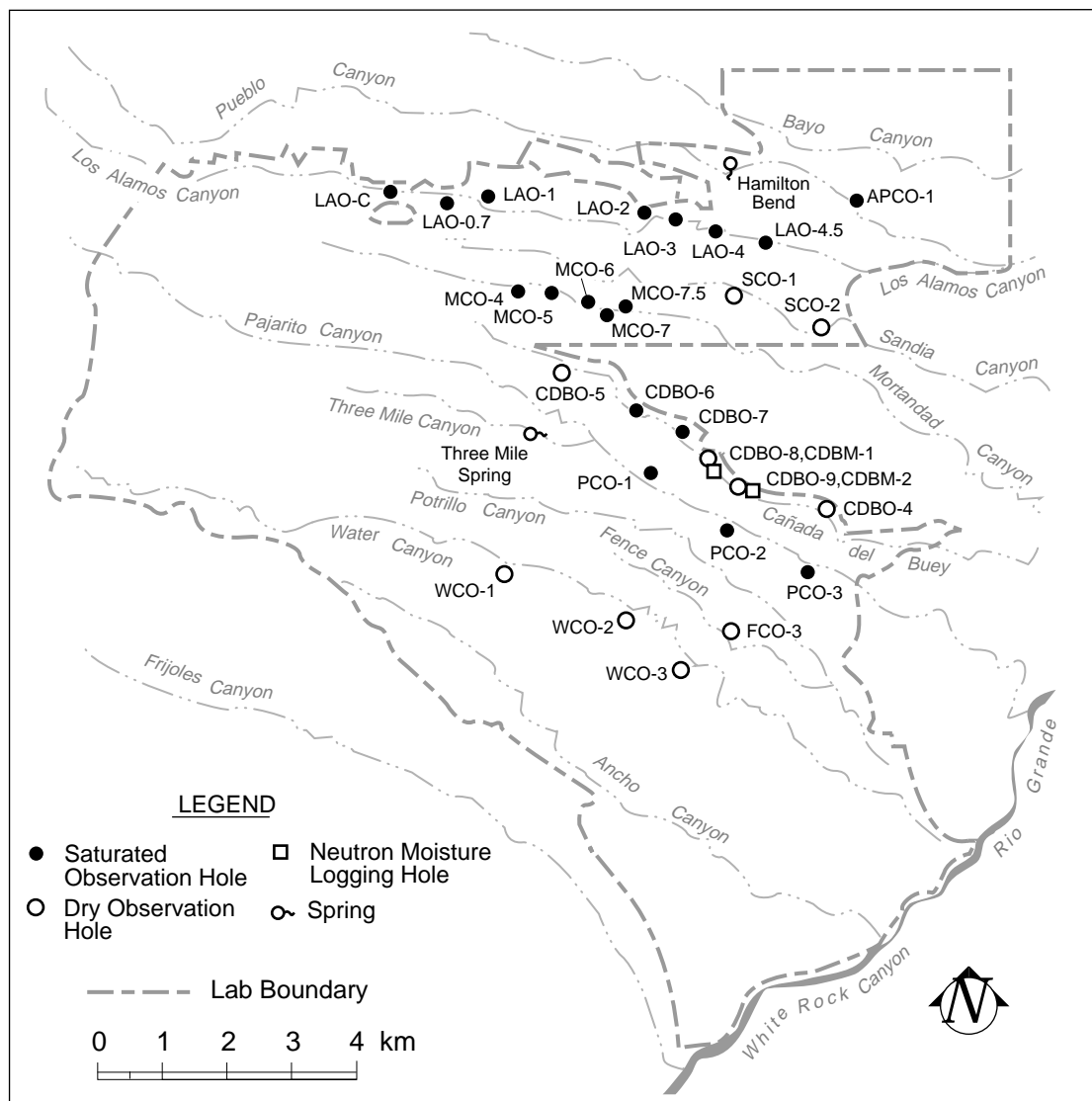


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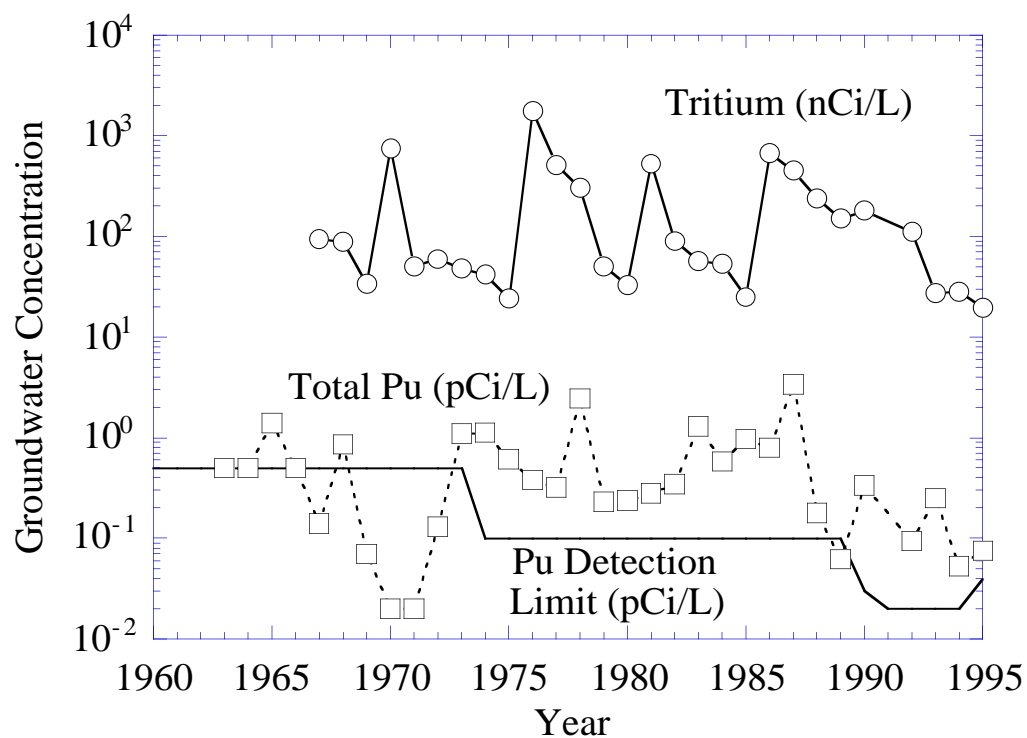
**Figure 5-4.** Springs and deep and intermediate wells used for groundwater sampling.

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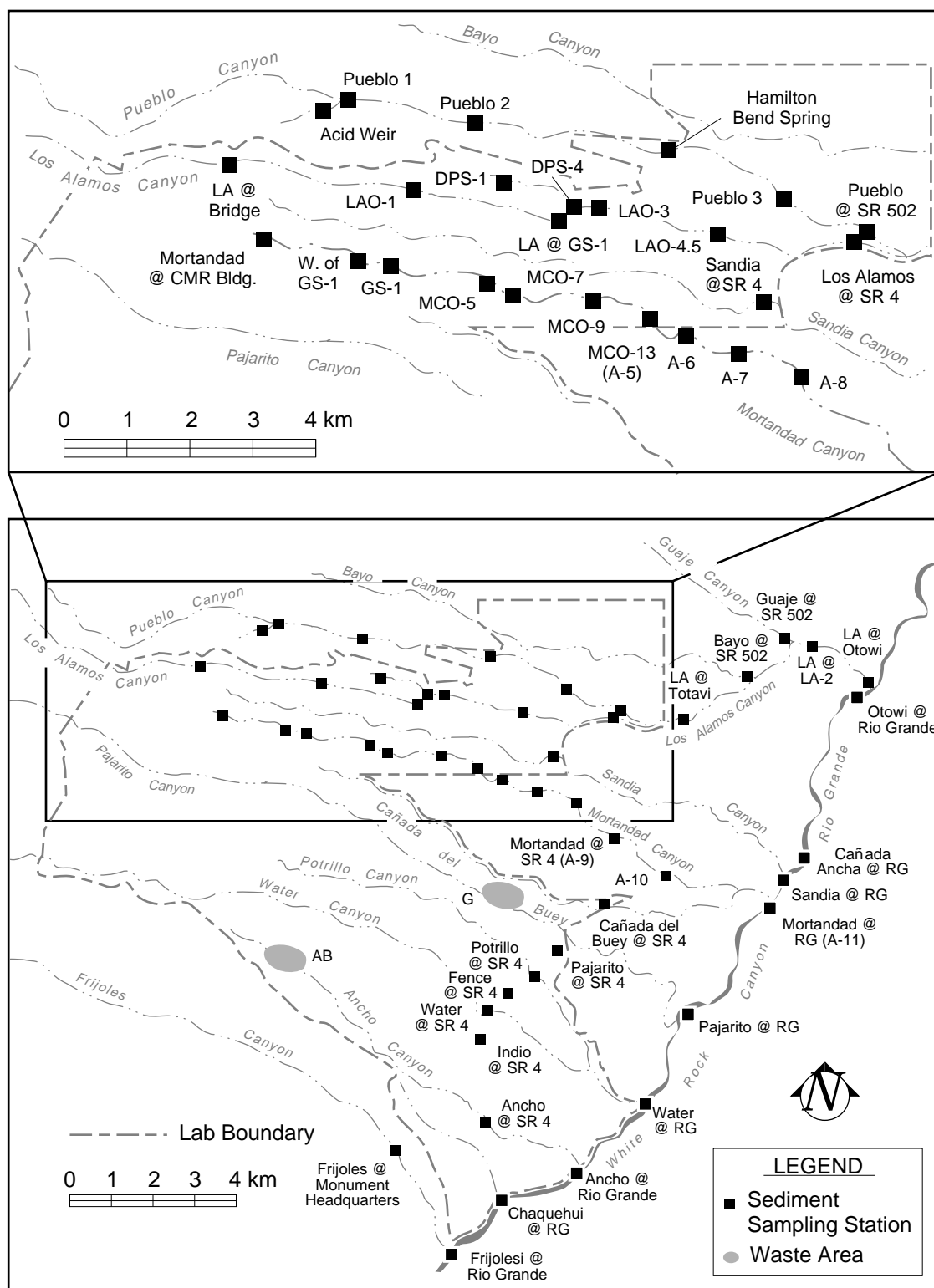
**Figure 5-5.** Observation wells and springs used for alluvial groundwater sampling and shallow neutron moisture holes.

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**Figure 5-6.** Tritium and plutonium concentrations in water samples from Mortandad Canyon Alluvial Observation Well MCO-6.

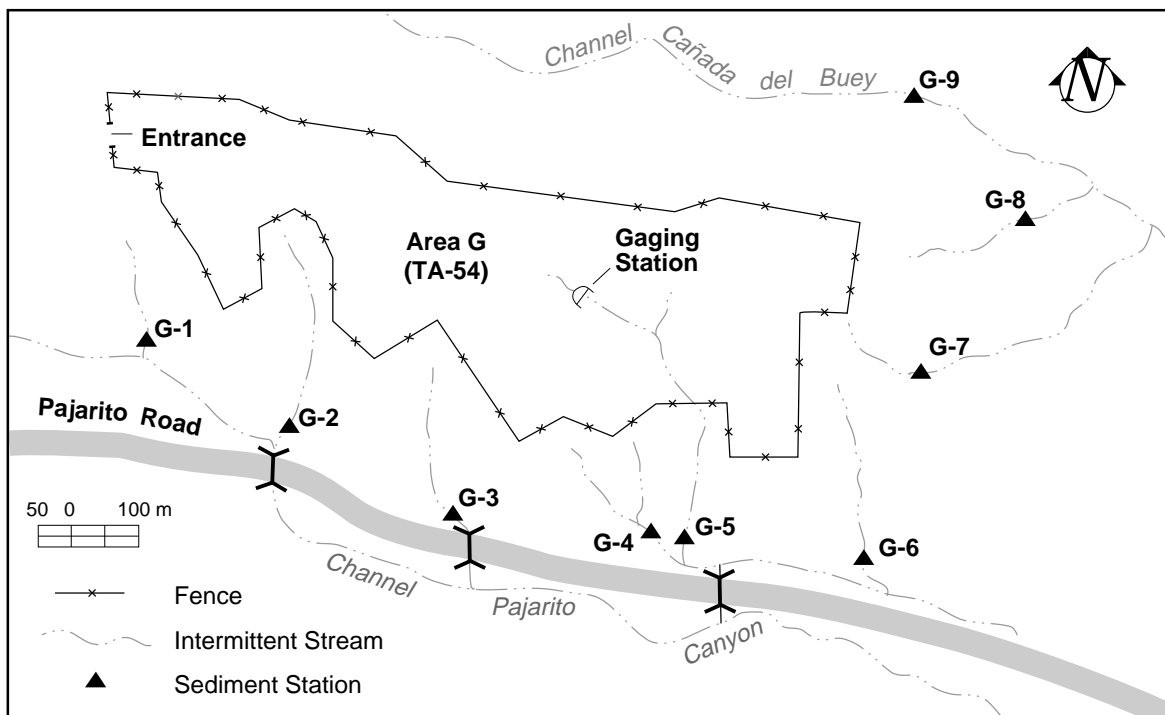
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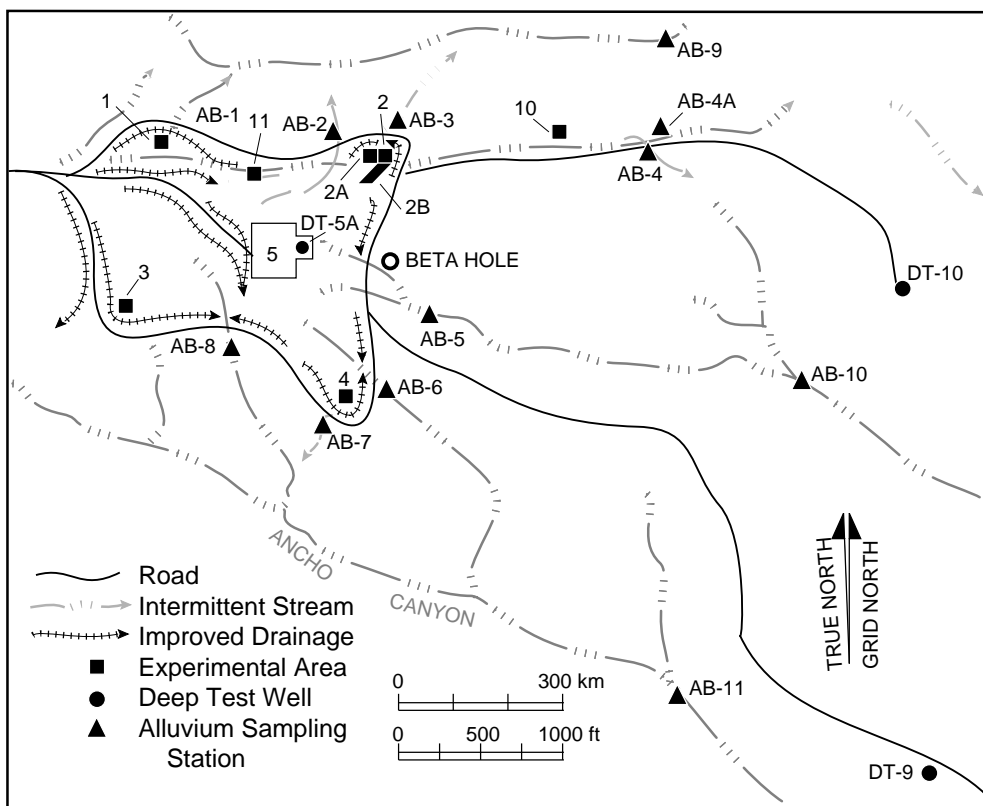
**Figure 5-7.** Sediment sampling stations on the Pajarito Plateau near Los Alamos National Laboratory. Solid waste management areas with multiple sampling locations are shown in Figure 5-8.

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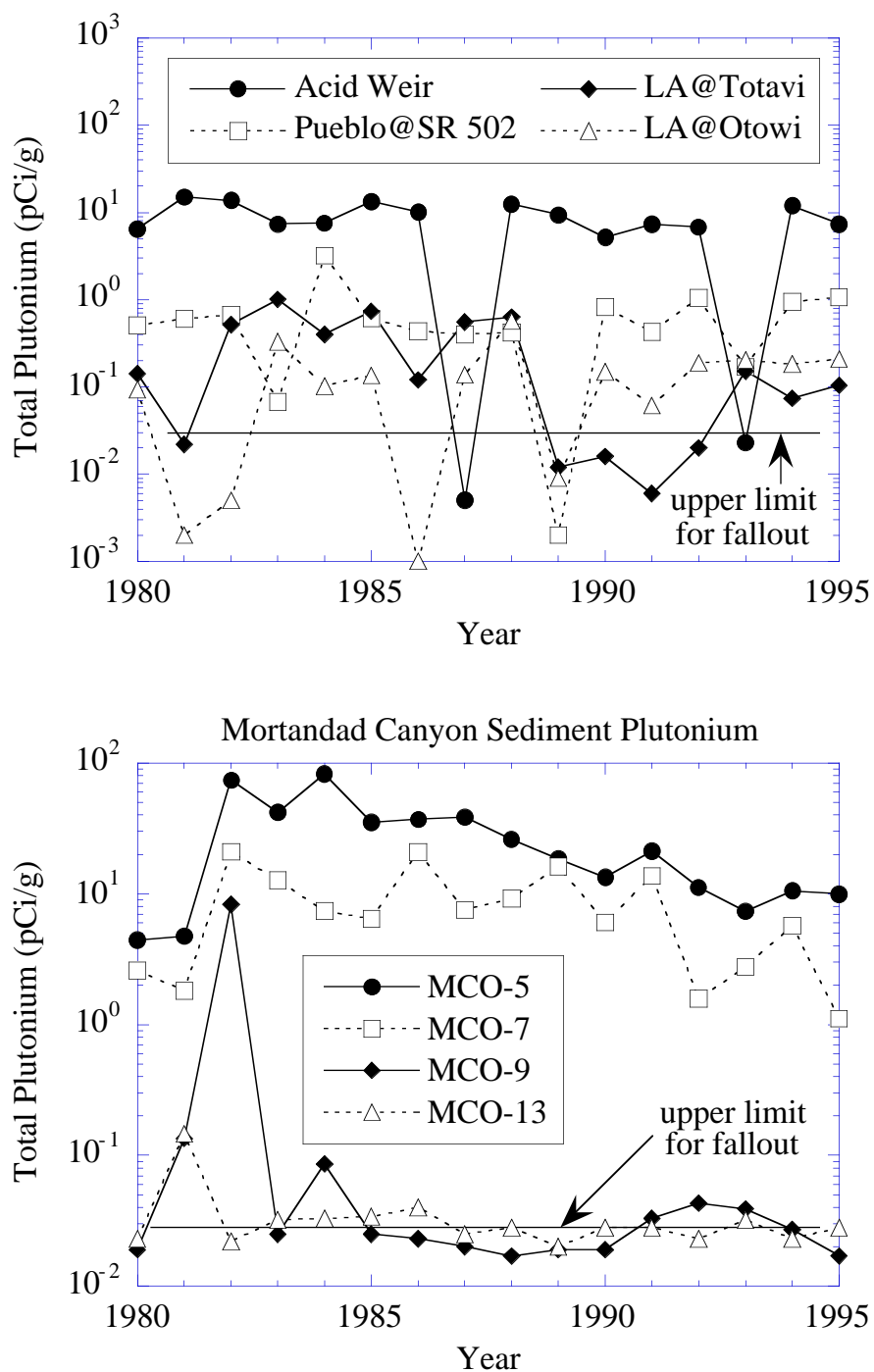


**Figure 5-8.** Sediment sampling locations at solid waste management areas.

a. Stations at TA-54, Area G.

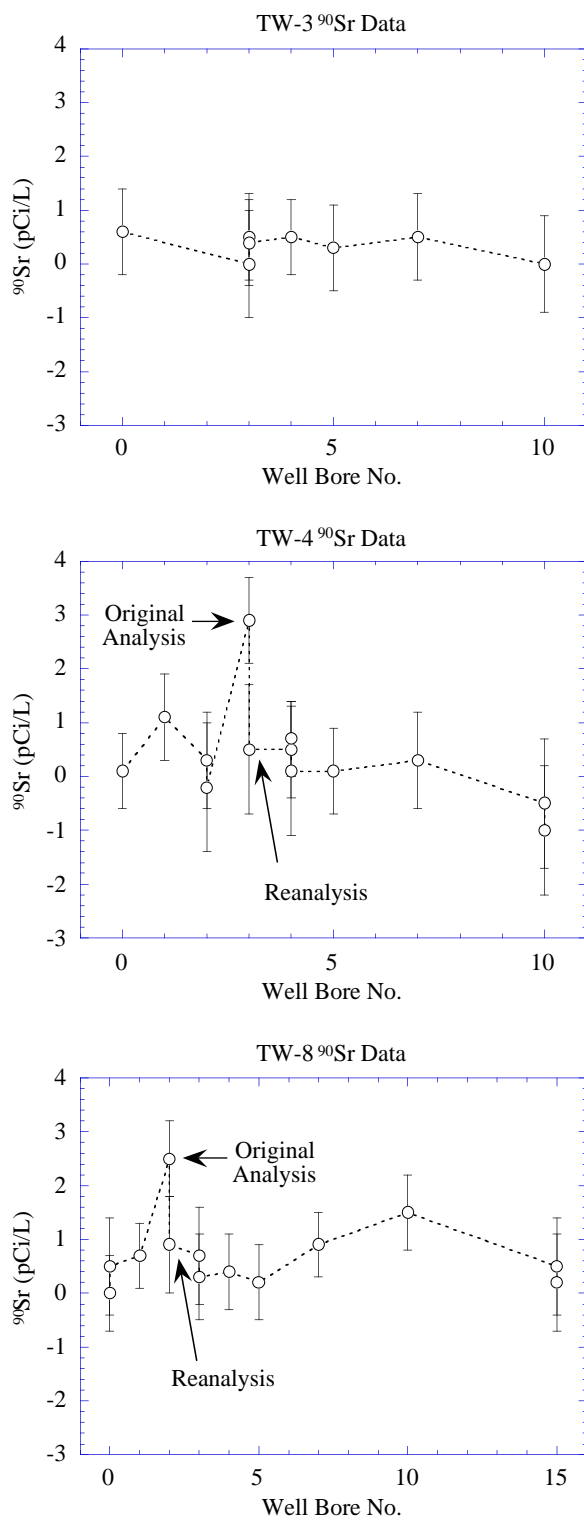
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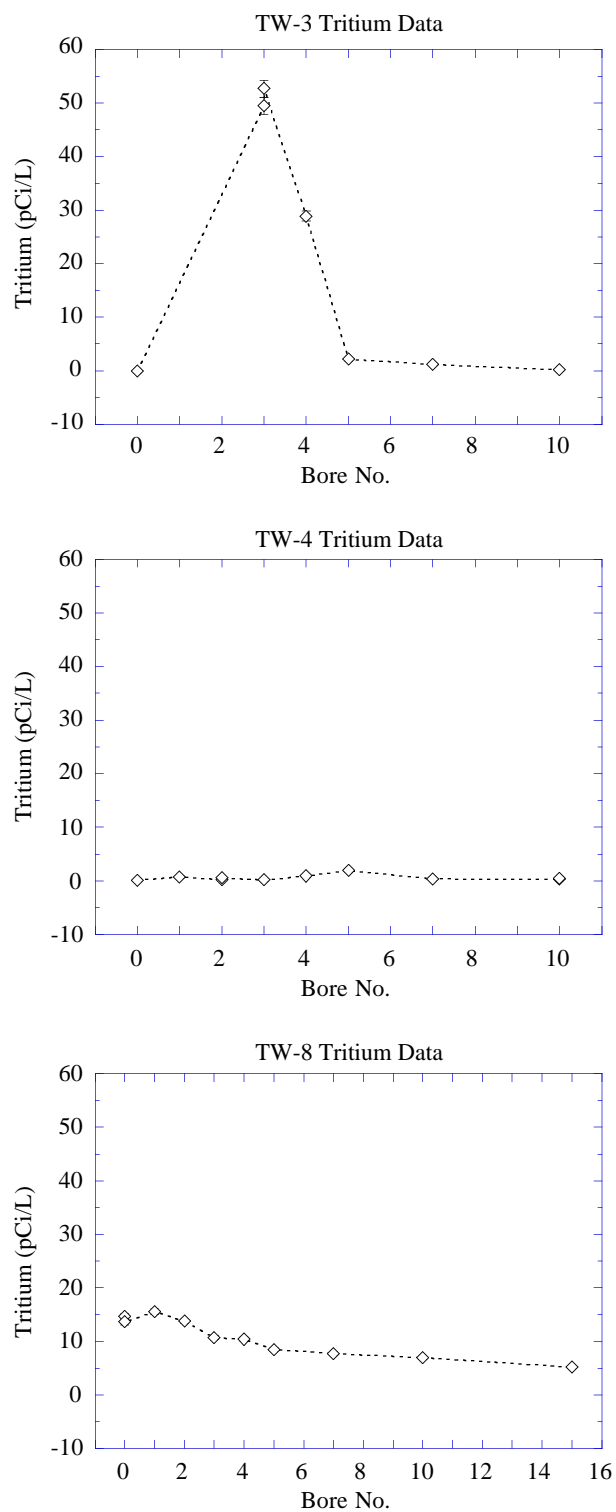
**Figure 5-9.** Total plutonium concentrations on sediments in Pueblo-Los Alamos Canyons (top) and Mortandad Canyon (bottom).

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**Figure 5-10.** Results for strontium-90 in test wells from July 1995 time series sampling.

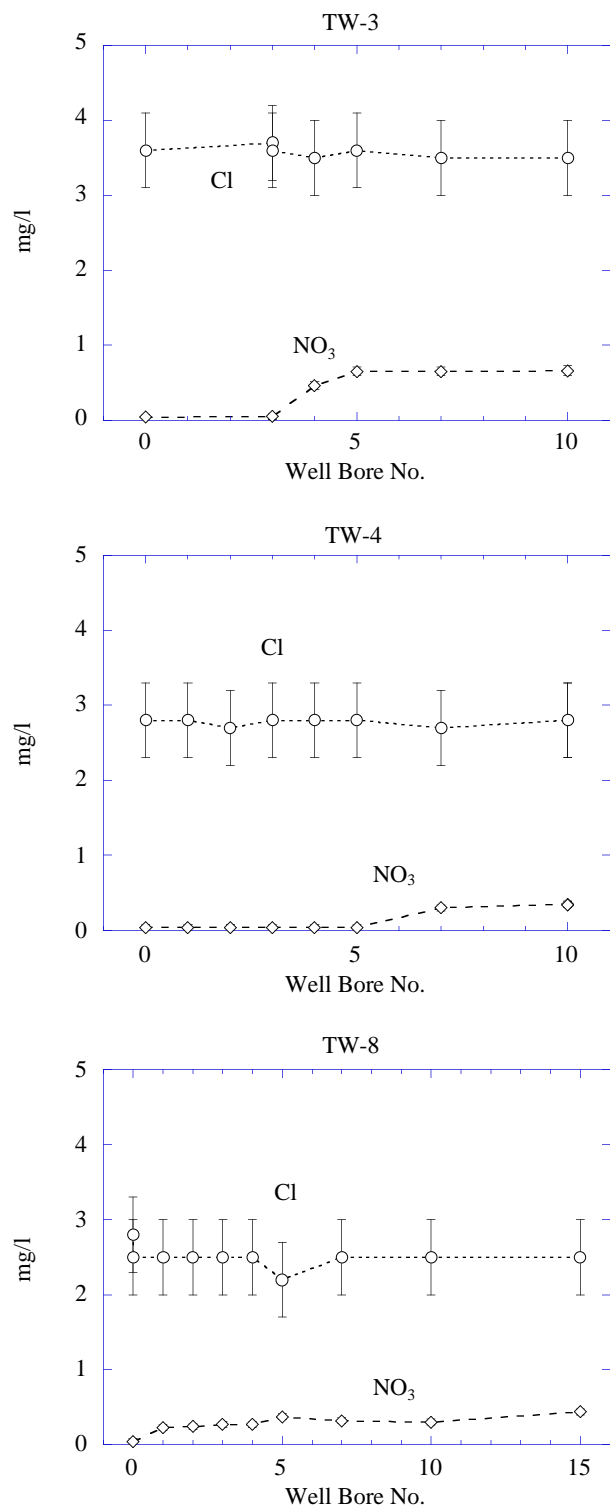
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**Figure 5-11.** Results for tritium in test wells from July 1995 time series sampling.

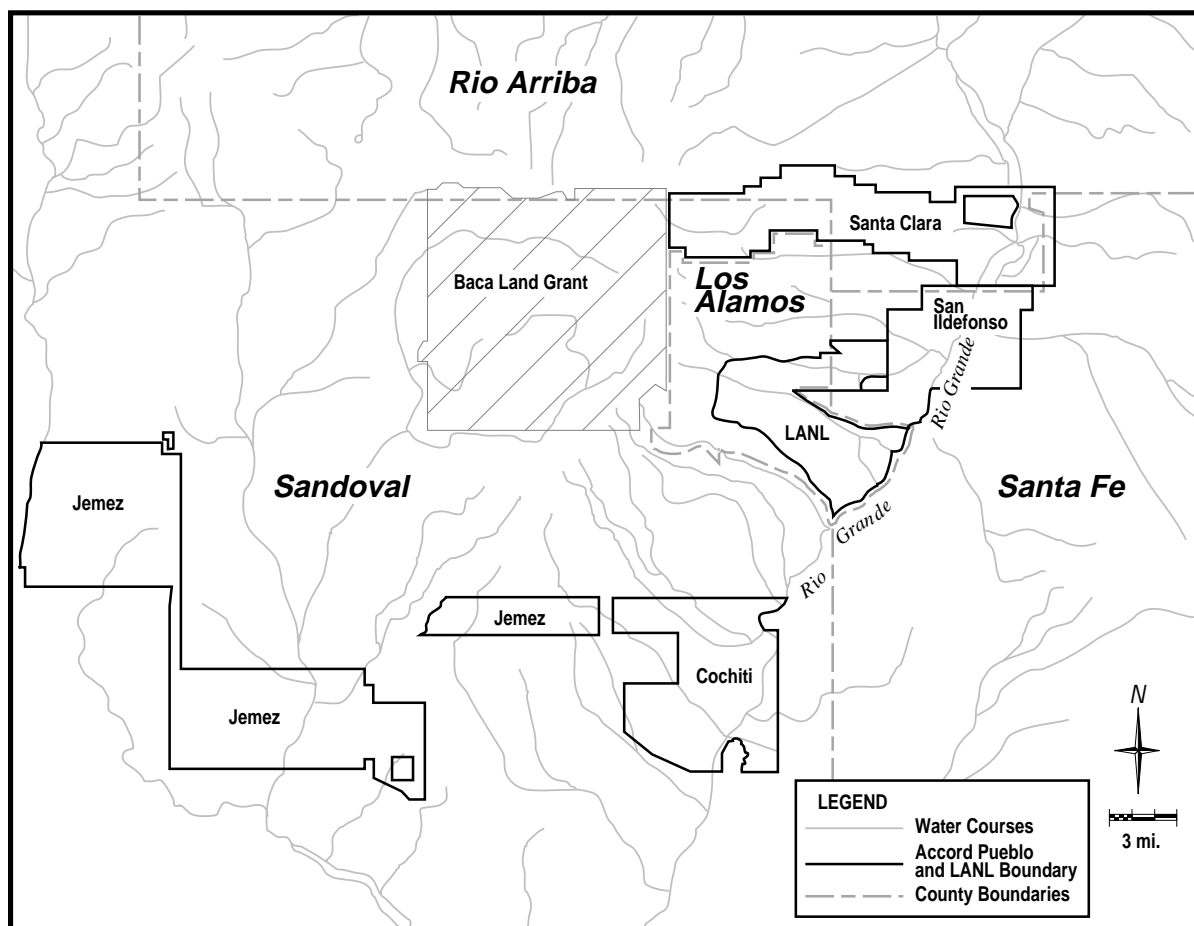


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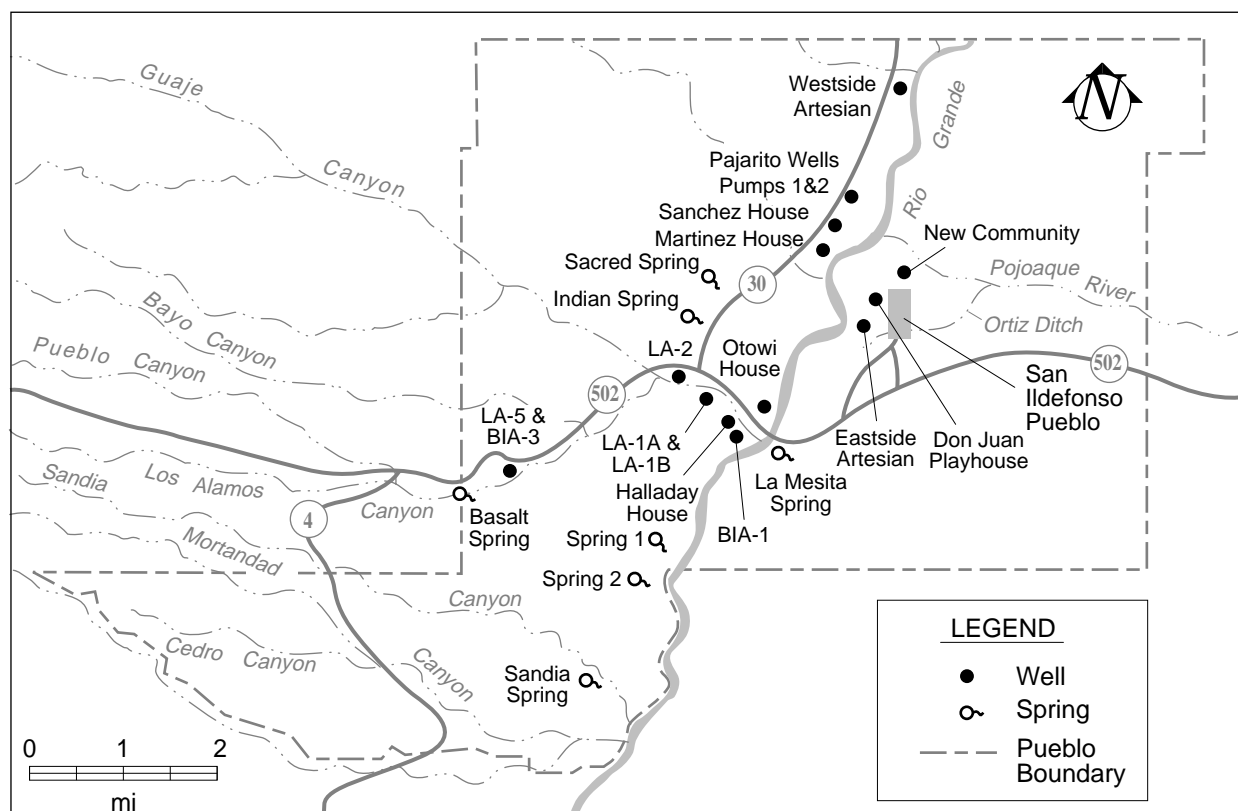
**Figure 5-12.** Results for chloride and nitrate in test wells from July 1995 time series sampling.

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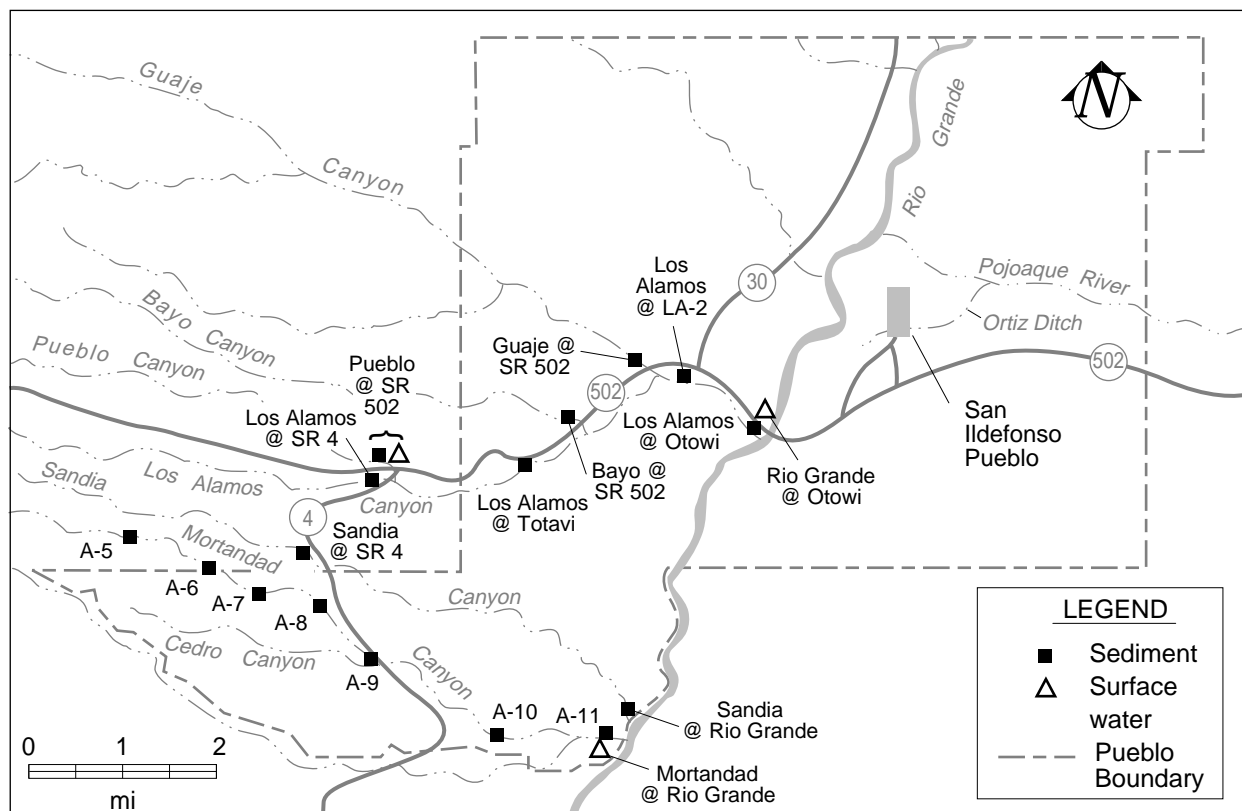
**Figure 5-13.** Location of Accord Pueblos and Los Alamos National Laboratory.

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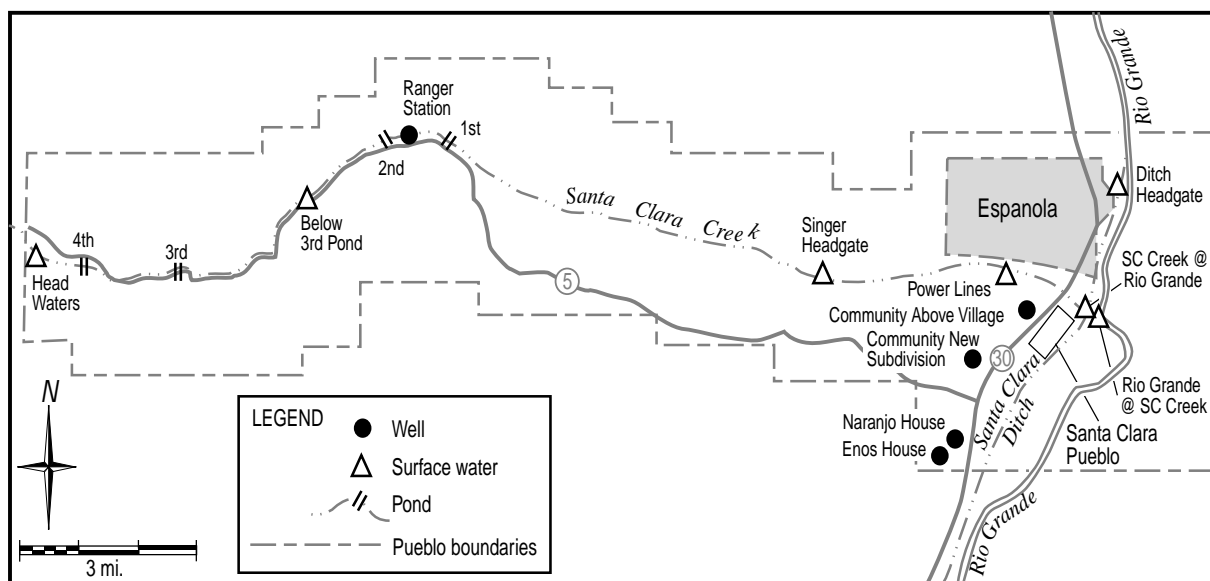


**Figure 5-14.** Springs and groundwater stations on or adjacent to Pueblo of San Ildefonso land.

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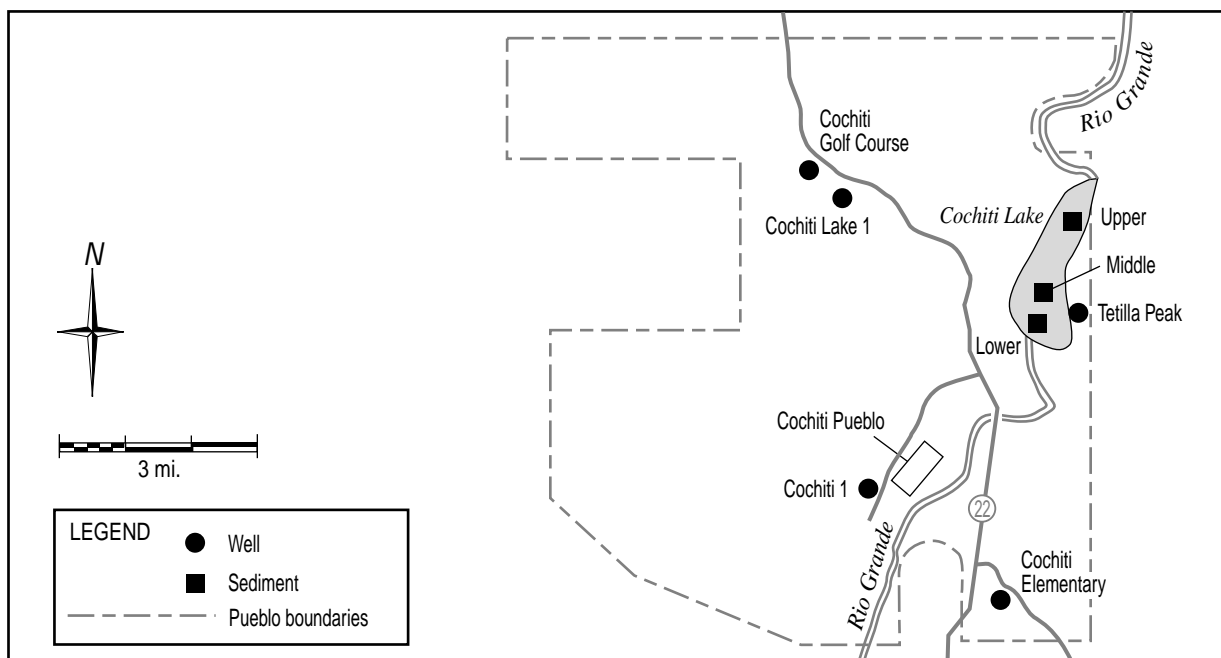


**Figure 5-15.** Sediment and surface water stations on or adjacent to Pueblo of San Ildefonso land.

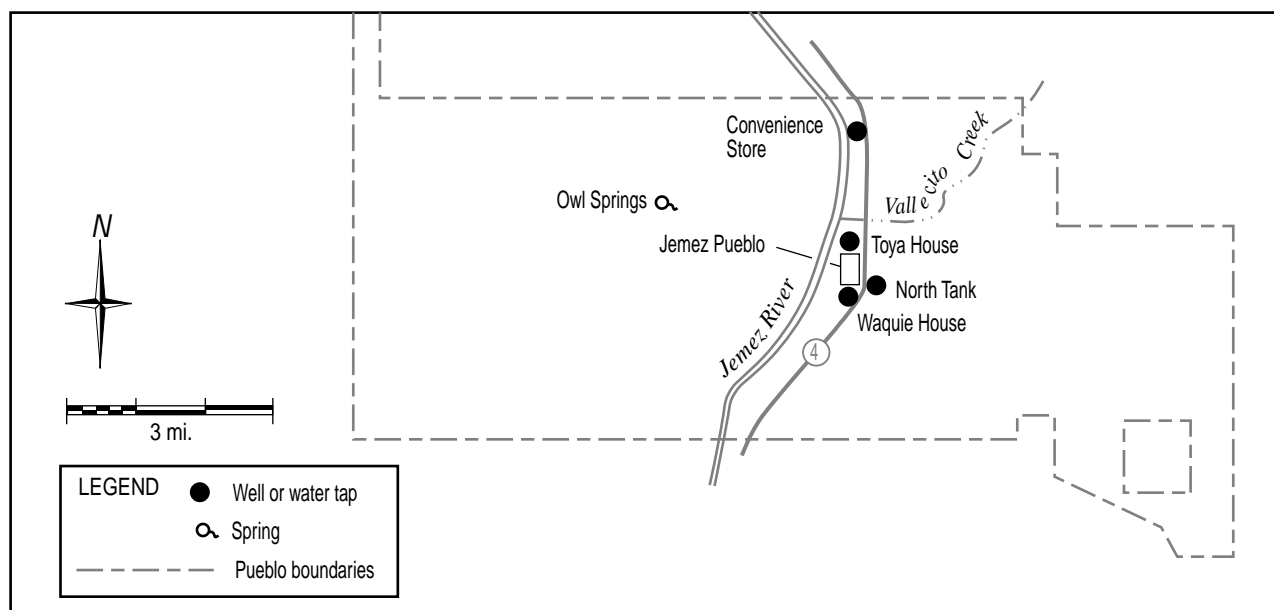


**Figure 5-16.** Surface water and groundwater stations at Santa Clara Pueblo.

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**Figure 5-17.** Sediment and groundwater stations at Cochiti Pueblo.



**Figure 5-18.** Springs, wells, and water taps sampled at Jemez Pueblo.

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## 6. Soil, Foodstuffs, and Biological Resources

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### **A. Overview of Programs**

#### **1. Soil Program**

A soil sampling and analysis program provides the most direct means of determining the concentration, inventory, and distribution of radionuclides and radioactivity around nuclear facilities (DOE 1991). This program is mandated by Department of Energy (DOE) Orders 5400.1 and 5400.5. Soil provides an integrating medium that can account for contaminants released to the atmosphere, either directly in gaseous effluents (e.g., air stack emissions) or indirectly from resuspension of on-site contamination (e.g., fugitive dust from solid waste management units [SWMUs]), or through liquid effluents released to a stream that is subsequently used for irrigation. Subsequently, the knowledge gained from a soil radiological sampling program is critical for providing information about potential pathways (e.g., soil ingestion, food crops, resuspension into the air, and contamination of groundwater) that may result in a radiation dose to humans (Fresquez 1996a). This program evaluates radionuclide, radioactivity, and nonradionuclides (heavy metals) in soils collected from on-site Los Alamos National Laboratory (the Laboratory or LANL), around the perimeter of the Laboratory, and regional (background) locations. On-site and perimeter areas are compared to regional background areas—these background areas are distant from the Laboratory, and their radionuclide and nonradionuclide contents are due to naturally occurring elements and/or to worldwide fallout.

#### **2. Foodstuffs (and Associated Biota) Program**

There are many agriculturally important products that are grown and/or are harvested in the area surrounding the Laboratory, and the ingestion of foodstuffs constitutes a critical pathway by which radionuclides can be transferred to humans. Samples of foodstuffs, therefore, are collected on an annual basis from Laboratory and surrounding communities to determine the impact of Laboratory operations on the human food chain. This program is mandated by DOE Orders 5400.1 and 5400.5. The two main objectives of the Foodstuffs Monitoring Program are to (1) determine and compare radioactive and heavy metals constituents in foodstuffs (milk, eggs, honey, produce, fish, and game animals) between on-site LANL and off-site perimeter areas with regional (background) areas; and (2) calculate a maximum total committed effective dose equivalent (CEDE) to surrounding area residents (Los Alamos townsite, White Rock/Pajarito Acres, Pojoaque Valley, Pueblo of San Ildefonso, and Cochiti Pueblo) who may consume such foodstuffs. Radiation doses to individuals from the ingestion of foodstuffs are presented in Section 3.B.2.b.

#### **3. Evaluations of Biological Resources**

Because the DOE and the Laboratory must comply with the Endangered Species Act, the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, and the Bald Eagle Protection Act, biological studies are conducted at LANL on all major trophic levels. Diverse studies are done on everything from ants to spotted owls to determine possible influences (positive and negative) that LANL may have on surrounding ecosystems.

The Ecological Studies Team (EST) of the Ecology Group (ESH-20) employs a varied number of study methods to ensure a comprehensive assessment of our biological resources. Baseline data are gathered about the LANL populations of plants, terrestrial and aquatic invertebrates, birds, reptiles, amphibians, and mammals. In order to assess potential LANL impacts on the biota, these population numbers are compared with control site populations. Besides baseline studies, site-specific as well as species-specific studies are also conducted. These studies are done to assure that Laboratory operations are in compliance with federal and state laws. This includes many field studies done on threatened and endangered species.

Plants and animals are also collected and analyzed for the presence of environmental contamination. This includes radionuclide and heavy metal contamination. These contamination data will be used for ecological risk assessments in the future. Likewise, the purpose of these studies is to determine if LANL operations are influencing overall ecosystem health.

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### B. Description of Programs and Monitoring Results

#### 1. Soil Monitoring

**a. Monitoring Network.** Soil surface samples are collected from relatively level, open, and undisturbed areas at LANL, its perimeter, and regional (background) locations. The majority of on-site soil-sampling stations are located close to, and downwind from, if possible, major facilities and/or operations at LANL in an effort to assess radionuclide, radioactivity, and heavy metals in soils that may have been contaminated as a result of air stack emissions and fugitive dust. All areas are compared to soils collected from regional background locations where radionuclides, radioactivity, and heavy metals are due to natural and/or to worldwide fallout events.

**Off-Site Regional (Background) Stations.** The regional background stations for soils are located in the three major drainages in northern New Mexico surrounding the Laboratory: Rio Chama, Embudo, and Otowi; Cochiti and Bernalillo; and Jemez. One additional soil station is located near Santa Cruz Lake, across the Rio Grande valley to the northeast of the Laboratory (Figure 6-1 and Table 6-1). All are over 15 km (6 mi) from the Laboratory and are beyond the range of potential influence from normal Laboratory operations (DOE 1991).

**Off-Site Perimeter Stations.** A total of six soil sampling stations are located within 4 km (2.5 mi) of the Laboratory (Figure 6-2 and Table 6-1). Four of these stations are located to reflect the soil conditions of the inhabited areas to the north (Los Alamos townsite area) and east (White Rock area) of the Laboratory. The other two stations, one located on Forest Service land to the west and the other located on Park Service land (Bandelier) to the southwest, provide additional coverage.

**On-Site Stations.** Soil samples from 10 on-site stations are collected; they are located near and downwind of Laboratory facilities that are the principal sources of airborne emissions or that could be potential contaminant sources (Figure 6-2 and Table 6-1).

**b. Sampling Procedures, Data Management, and Quality Assurance.** Collection of samples for chemical and radiochemical analyses follow a set procedure to ensure proper sample collection, documentation, submittal for chemical analyses, and posting of analytical results. Stations and samples are assigned a unique identifier to provide chain-of-custody control during the transfer of samples from the time of collection through analysis and reporting.

All samples are collected and handled in accordance with the guidelines recommended by the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM 1990). To collect soil surface samples, a stainless steel soil ring 10 cm (4.0 in.) in diameter is driven 5 cm (2.0 in.) into the soil. Samples are collected from the center and corners of a square area 10 m (32 ft) per side. The five sub-samples are combined and mixed thoroughly in a 3-gal. reclosable plastic bag to form a composite sample. Samples are poured in pre-labeled 500 mL polypropylene bottles for radionuclide analysis and pre-labeled 125 mL polypropylene bottles for trace and heavy metals analysis. These bottles are fitted with chain-of-custody tape, placed into individual reclosable plastic bags, and then into a locked ice chest cooled to approximately 4°C. Details of container and preservation requirements for radiological and inorganic analyses, and identification of Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) methodology for each analysis are contained in the Inorganic Trace Analysis Group (CST-9) publication "Handbook for Sample Collection, Preservation, and Instrumental Techniques" (Williams 1990). The equipment used for collection of these samples is washed with a soap and water solution, and dried with paper towels. This is done before each sample is taken to reduce the potential for cross-contamination.

All samples are submitted to CST-9 for the analysis of radiological constituents such as gross alpha, beta and gamma activity; tritium; strontium-90; total uranium; cesium-137; plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; americium-241; and trace and heavy metal elements like silver, arsenic, barium, beryllium, cadmium, chromium, mercury, nickel, lead, antimony, selenium, and thallium. These are the only EPA regulated heavy and trace metals. Procedures for laboratory analyses are documented by CST-9 in LANL report LA-10300-MS (Gautier 1994). These methods are based on EPA methods (EPA 1987) when available, or generally recognized and accepted institutions such as the American Public Health Association or ASTM. Quality controls (QCs) for analytical procedures are addressed in quality assurance (QA) documentation from the Health and Environmental Chemistry Group (Health and Environmental Chemistry Group 1985, Environmental Surveillance Group 1979: Appendix C, 1980; Appendix C, 1986; Appendix C).

Laboratory analytical results (hard copies) are sent directly to ESH-20 with full QA/QC analyses, duplicate sample analyses, and signatures. As results are obtained, they are scanned for any outlier numbers, and replicate

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samples are compared with one another. Normally two replicates are submitted with the soil surveillance program samples. Each replicate flows through the processing and analytical procedure in parallel with its partner. Replicate samples may be useful in identifying spurious results or inconsistent procedures. After a visual check of the data, they are entered into a microcomputer EXCEL spreadsheet, tabulated, and large deviations are examined further to ensure their validity. The evaluations are cross-checked with each other to reduce the potential for errors of data transfer, of calculation, and of misinterpretation. Handling and reduction of the analytical results are independently carried out by the program's technician and supervisor.

Data are further analyzed with standard descriptive and comparative statistics. Descriptive statistics (i.e., means and standard deviations) are calculated for each parameter of concern at each sampled location. Mean results from the different (affected) locations (on-site and perimeter areas) are compared against background using a nonparametric Wilcoxon Rank Sum Test at the 0.05 probability level ( $p < 0.05$ ) (Gilbert 1987).

**c. Radiochemical Analytical Results.** Table 6-2 shows data from soils collected in 1995. In general, the average concentrations of tritium; strontium-90; cesium-137; plutonium-239,240; americium-241; and gross alpha and beta activity in soils collected from perimeter stations were not significantly different ( $p < 0.05$ ) than radionuclide concentrations and activity in soil samples collected from regional background locations. In contrast, the average level of uranium ( $3.12 \mu\text{g/g}$ ), plutonium-238 ( $0.015 \text{ pCi/g}$ ) and gross gamma activity ( $4.1 \text{ pCi/g}$ ) in perimeter soils was significantly higher ( $p < 0.05$ ) than uranium ( $1.84 \mu\text{g/g}$ ), plutonium-238 ( $0.004 \text{ pCi/g}$ ), and gross gamma ( $3.4 \text{ pCi/g}$ ) in background soils. Although the average level of uranium and gross gamma activity in perimeter soils was significantly higher than background, they were still within the long-term regional statistical reference level (RSRL) of  $4.05 \mu\text{g/g}$  and  $7.3 \text{ pCi/g}$ , respectively. The RSRL is the average background concentration plus twice the standard deviation of the mean from data collected over a 21-yr period; data from 1974 through 1994 from regional background stations were used to establish the upper limit background (ULB) concentration for worldwide fallout of tritium; strontium-90; cesium-137; americium-241; plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; and total uranium (Fresquez 1996a). Plutonium-238 average concentrations, on the other hand, were just above the RSRL ( $< 0.008 \text{ pCi/g}$ ); however, these levels were far below LANL screening action levels (SALs) of  $27 \text{ pCi/g}$ . LANL SALs, developed by the Environmental Restoration Project at the Laboratory, are used to identify the presence of contaminants of concern and are derived from a risk assessment pathway using a  $10 \text{ mrem/yr}$  dose limit.

The average levels of tritium, strontium-90, cesium-137, plutonium-238, americium-241, and gross alpha, beta, and gamma activity in soils collected from on-site stations were not significantly different ( $p < 0.05$ ) than radionuclide concentrations and activity in soil samples collected from regional background locations. Only plutonium-239,240 ( $0.059 \text{ pCi/g}$ ) and total uranium ( $3.57 \mu\text{g/g}$ ) were detected in significantly higher concentrations in on-site soils as compared to off-site background soils. The average concentrations of total uranium and plutonium-239,240 detected in on-site soils, however, were still within the long-term RSRL and/or were far below LANL SALs. In general, the higher concentrations of radionuclides, particularly uranium and plutonium isotopes, in perimeter soils as compared to background soils may be due in part to Laboratory operations but are mostly due to worldwide fallout and to naturally occurring radioactive minerals, whereas higher radioactivity in soils from on-site areas may be due to worldwide fallout, natural radioactivity, and Laboratory operations (Fresquez 1996a).

Although the average levels of most radionuclides and radioactivity in soils collected from on-site and perimeter areas were not significantly different from background areas, there were some individual sites, mostly from LANL areas, that exhibited detectable radionuclide and/or radioactivity concentrations (where the analytical result was greater than two sigma) above RSRLs. However, all soil samples were below the Laboratory's SAL values (Table 6-2).

**d. Nonradiochemical Analytical Results.** Soils were also analyzed for trace and heavy metals. These data will ultimately be used to establish a database and are meaningful from a Laboratory operation/effects standpoint as well as for geochemical processes. The results of the 1995 soil sampling program can be found in Table 6-3.

The average concentrations of all heavy metals measured in soils collected from perimeter and on-site areas, with the exception of beryllium and lead, were not significantly higher ( $p < 0.05$ ) than metals in soils collected from regional background stations. Most, in fact, were within the range of metals' concentrations normally encountered in the Los Alamos area (Ferenbaugh 1990) and continental United States (Shacklette 1984). Beryllium and lead concentrations, on the other hand, were significantly higher ( $p < 0.05$ ) in both perimeter and on-site stations than in

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background soils. This trend was the same as the last two years (1993 and 1994). Although the average concentrations of beryllium and lead in soils collected from perimeter and on-site stations were significantly higher than background, they were still within the RSRL ( $<0.90 \mu\text{g/g}$  and  $<21.8 \mu\text{g/g}$ , respectively) and within the range of concentrations for beryllium in the Los Alamos area ( $1.1$  to  $3.3 \mu\text{g/g}$ ) (Ferenbaugh 1990) and continental United States ( $<1$  to  $15 \mu\text{g/g}$ ) (Shacklette 1984). Also, beryllium and lead levels were below the Laboratory's SALs ( $0.90 \mu\text{g/g}$  for beryllium and  $500.0 \mu\text{g/g}$  for lead).

**e. Long-Term Trends.** All soil results from on-site and perimeter stations during 1974 through 1994 were subjected to a Mann-Kendall test for trend (Fresquez 1996a). Most radionuclides and radioactivity detected in LANL and perimeter soils exhibited generally decreasing trends over time. The exceptions are plutonium-238, which increased at  $\approx 96\%$  of the sites, and gross alpha activity, which increased at half of the sites.

Concentrations of tritium, cesium-137, plutonium-239, and uranium showed significantly decreasing ( $p < 0.05$ ) trends over time in many soils collected from on-site and perimeter areas. Their decrease may be due in part to reductions in Laboratory operations, air stack emissions, and to better engineering controls employed by the Laboratory (EG 1996), but is more probably due to (1) the cessation of aboveground nuclear weapons testing in the early 1960s, (2) weathering (wind, water erosion, and leaching), and (3) radioactive decay (half-life) (Wicker 1982). Tritium, which has a half-life of about 12 years, exhibited the greatest decrease in activity over the 21 years in almost all of the soil sites studied, including regional locations.

Plutonium and gross alpha activity generally increased over time in most on-site, perimeter, and even in regional background sites—all sites, however, were far from being statistically significant ( $p < 0.05$ ) and the probability for these sites ranged from 0.167 to 0.997. The source of most plutonium-239 detected in the natural environment is from nuclear weapons testing in the atmosphere (Klement 1965) and from the reentry burn up of satellites containing a plutonium-238 power source (Perkins 1980). Only a few gross alpha readings and a few gross beta readings showed significantly increasing trends ( $p < 0.05$ ) over time. In these cases, however, the measurement period was both early and very short time periods (1978 to 1981). If the same general trend of decreasing radionuclide concentrations observed at most other measurement sites were being followed, especially by the alpha (plutonium and uranium) and beta (strontium-90) emitters, these sites might also have exhibited decreasing gross alpha activity by 1994. To test this hypothesis, soil surface samples from all of these original sites will be collected during the 1996 sampling period.

As for metals in perimeter and on-site soil areas, most were within the range of naturally occurring elements in the Los Alamos area. Only beryllium and lead, both products of firing site activities, exhibit any kind of a trend; that is, both are consistently higher in perimeter and on-site soil areas year after year than in background soils. Concentrations over time show that average beryllium in perimeter soils decreased from  $0.97 \mu\text{g/g}$  in 1992 to  $0.62 \mu\text{g/g}$  in 1995. Lead decreased from  $32 \mu\text{g/g}$  in 1992 to  $22.7 \mu\text{g/g}$  in 1995. Similarly, beryllium in on-site soils averaged  $1.17 \mu\text{g/g}$  in 1992 and decreased to  $0.63 \mu\text{g/g}$  in 1995. Lead in on-site soils, on the other hand, increased slightly in concentration from an average of  $16.7 \mu\text{g/g}$  in 1992 to  $20 \mu\text{g/g}$  in 1995.

### 2. Foodstuffs and Associated Biota Monitoring

#### a. Produce.

**Monitoring Network.** Fruits, vegetables, and grains are collected each year from on-site (Laboratory), perimeter (Los Alamos and White Rock/Pajarito Acres), and off-site regional (background) locations (Figure 6-3). Samples of produce are also collected from the Pueblos of Cochiti and San Ildefonso, which are located in the general vicinity of LANL. Produce from areas within and around the perimeter of LANL are compared to produce collected from regional (background) gardens  $>16 \text{ km}$  (10 mi) from the Laboratory; these areas are located around the Española, Santa Fe, and Jemez areas.

**Sampling Procedures, Data Management, and Quality Assurance.** Produce samples are collected from local gardens around the perimeter of the Laboratory in the summer and fall of each year (Salazar 1984). Each produce sample is collected and sealed in a labeled plastic bag. Samples are transported in a locked ice chest and refrigerated until prepared for chemical analyses. Produce samples are washed, as if for consumption, quantitative wet, dry, and ash weights are determined, and the samples are submitted to CST-9 for the analysis of tritium; total uranium; strontium-90; plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; and cesium-137. All results are reported on an oven-dry-weight basis (dry g). A complete sample bank is kept frozen until all radiochemical analyses have been completed. Water is distilled from samples and submitted for tritium analysis. Heavy and trace metals in produce

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are processed by first drying at 75°C for 48 hr, then ground in a Wiley Mill using a 20 mm stainless steel screen, and poured into 20 mL polypropylene bottles. All samples are submitted under full chain-of-custody for the analysis of silver, arsenic, barium, beryllium, cadmium, chromium, mercury, nickel, lead, antimony, selenium, and thallium. Variations in the mean radionuclide content in produce are tested using a nonparametric Wilcoxon Rank Sum Test at the 0.05 probability level (Gilbert 1987). All QA/QC protocols, chemical analysis, and data handling, validation, and tabulations are conducted in the same manner as described in the soils section.

**Radiochemical Analytical Results.** Concentrations of radionuclides in produce collected from on-site, perimeter, and off-site regional (background) locations during the 1995 growing season can be found in Table 6-4. The average concentration of all radionuclides, with the exception of tritium, were not significantly different ( $p < 0.05$ ) in produce collected from on-site and perimeter areas (Los Alamos townsite and White Rock/Pajarito Acres) as compared to background. Most values, in fact, were within concentrations reported for these areas in past years. Tritium, as in past years, was significantly higher in produce collected from LANL lands as compared to produce from background locations.

No significant differences were found in the levels of tritium; uranium; strontium-90; plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; and cesium-137 between produce collected from gardens at the Pueblos of San Ildefonso and Cochiti with produce collected from the Española, Santa Fe, or Jemez areas. Most radionuclide concentrations in produce from Cochiti Pueblo and the Pueblo of San Ildefonso were similar to concentrations detected in past years (Fresquez 1995d). There were some individual detectable radionuclide concentrations (where the analytical result was higher than two times the counting uncertainty) in some on-site and perimeter produce samples that were higher than RSRLs. Detectable radionuclide concentrations above the RSRL in produce were associated with mostly on-site LANL stations, but strontium-90 and plutonium-239,240 were detected in tea from Pueblo of San Ildefonso lands.

**Dose Equivalents to Individuals from Ingestion of Produce.** Table 6-5 presents 1995 data; the results for the 1994 growing season are also presented for comparison. The maximum annual CEDE (i.e., the total CEDE plus two sigma for the maximum consumption rate) is 1.25 mrem from the regional background sample (Española, Santa Fe, and Jemez). The total net positive difference between the CEDE due to consuming produce, at the maximum consumption rate, from Cochiti Pueblo, White Rock, Los Alamos townsite, and the Pueblo of San Ildefonso and from the regional background locations is 0.228 mrem ( $< 0.3\%$  of the DOE public dose limit [PDL]), 0.001 mrem ( $< 0.002\%$  of the DOE PDL), 0.0002 ( $< 0.001\%$  of the DOE PDL), and 0.121 mrem ( $< 0.2\%$  of the DOE PDL), respectively. The maximum total net positive difference for CEDE using the average consumption rate is 0.008 mrem ( $< 0.009\%$  of the DOE PDL) from the produce collected at Cochiti Pueblo. The only radionuclides contributing more than 5% to this total net positive difference at Cochiti Pueblo and the Pueblo of San Ildefonso are the natural occurring radioisotopes of cesium-137 and strontium-90, respectively. Only tritium contributed to this difference at Los Alamos townsite and White Rock. The total net positive difference from produce grown on site is 1.19 mrem. The radionuclides contributing to more than 5% of this total net positive difference are strontium-90, uranium, and tritium. Since ingestion of produce collected on site is not considered to be a significant pathway because of the small amount of edible material and the limited access to these foodstuffs, comparison to the DOE PDL or calculating a risk factor is not appropriate.

The single factor Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) test shows that there is no significant difference (at the 95% level of confidence) between the maximum CEDE (i.e., average CEDE + two sigma) calculated for produce samples collected from regional, perimeter, or on-site locations. This can be easily seen by noting that the two sigma error term is always higher than the CEDE value. The Student's t-Test also shows that there is no significant difference (at the 95% level of confidence) between the 1994 CEDE and the 1995 CEDE calculated for produce samples collected from these locations.

**Nonradiochemical Analytical Results.** Most trace and heavy metal elements were below the limit of detection (Table 6-6). In those cases, where produce samples contained some metals above the limit of detection (e.g., silver, barium, cadmium, chromium, nickel, and lead), only the mean concentration for silver in produce collected from the Cochiti area and chromium in White Rock/Pajarito Acres were significantly higher ( $p < 0.05$ ) than background. These results should be viewed with caution, however. The mean concentration of silver in produce collected from the Cochiti area was elevated due to mainly one sample (a tomato had 23  $\mu\text{g}/\text{dry g}$ ). Also, soil samples collected from the Cochiti area did not contain higher silver concentrations ( $< 3.0 \mu\text{g}/\text{dry g}$ ) than other background soil samples ( $< 3.0 \mu\text{g}/\text{dry g}$ ) (Table 6-3).

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No significant differences in any of the trace and heavy metal mean concentrations were found in produce collected from other on-site, perimeter, or pueblo areas as compared to background.

### b. Honey.

**Monitoring Network.** Bee hives located within perimeter areas, Los Alamos townsite and White Rock/Pajarito Acres, are sampled on an annual basis for honey (Figure 6-4). Honey from these hives was compared to honey collected from regional background hives located in northern New Mexico.

**Sampling Procedures, Data Management, and Quality Assurance.** Honey is collected by a professional (contract) bee keeper. The frames of honey are enclosed in large plastic bags, marked for identification, and transported in an ice chest to the Laboratory. At the Laboratory, the honey is separated from the combs by a heat lamp into labeled 500-mL polypropylene bottles. The honey samples are submitted under full chain-of-custody to CST-9 for radiochemical analyses of tritium; total uranium; strontium-90; plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; and cesium-137. All QA/QC protocols, chemical analysis, and data handling, validation, and tabulation are conducted in the same manner as described in Section 6.B.1.b.

**Radiochemical Analytical Results.** Results of the analysis of honey collected during the 1995 season are presented in Table 6-7. No detectable radionuclide concentrations were found in honey samples collected from the Los Alamos townsite or White Rock/Pajarito Acres areas. Accordingly, all radionuclide levels in perimeter areas were all well within the RSRL of radionuclides detected from background areas. In past years, tritium was almost always significantly higher in honey collected from on-site LANL hives, especially from hives located at TA-53 and at TA-54. Since honey collected within LANL lands is not distributed to the public, it is not considered a significant pathway to humans. Starting in 1995, the honey surveillance program is limited to sampling in off-site regional and perimeter areas.

**Dose Equivalents to Individuals from Ingestion of Honey.** Table 6-8 presents the summary of the CEDE from the ingestion of honey collected in 1995. The results for 1994 season are also presented for comparison. It should be noted that americium-241 analyses are included in the 1995 dataset but were not requested in 1994. Because the analyses for the San Pedro honey sample were lost in the analytical laboratory, the regional background average concentrations for 1994 were substituted for the missing strontium-90, plutonium-238, plutonium-239, and uranium results (Table 6-7). The maximum annual CEDE (i.e., the total CEDE plus two sigma for the maximum consumption rate) for all honey samples collected in 1995 is 0.024 mrem for the consumption of honey collected in White Rock. The total net positive difference between the CEDE due to consuming honey from Los Alamos townsite and White Rock and honey collected at a regional background station (i.e., San Pedro), using the maximum consumption rate, is 0.004 mrem (<0.004% of the DOE PDL) and 0.010 mrem (<0.02% of the DOE PDL), respectively. For the average consumption rate, these differences decrease to 0.001 mrem (<0.002% of the DOE PDL) for Los Alamos and to 0.003 mrem (<0.003% of the DOE PDL) for White Rock. The radionuclides that contributed to this total net positive dose are strontium-90 and americium-241 for honey collected in Los Alamos townsite; and strontium-90, plutonium-239, cesium-137 and americium-241 for honey collected in White Rock. Since americium-241 was not requested in 1994, it is questionable whether this radionuclide actually contributed to the total net positive difference or not. Collecting additional honey samples will be necessary to determine whether americium-241 contributes to this difference.

The single factor ANOVA test shows that there is no significant difference (at the 95% level of confidence) between the maximum CEDE (i.e., average CEDE + two sigma) calculated for consuming honey from the background, Los Alamos townsite, or White Rock sampling locations. Since only one sample has been collected each year, statistical tests could not be performed to compare the 1994 results with the 1995 results. However, the confidence interval for these two data sets overlap indicating that there is no difference between the 1994 and the 1995 calculated CEDEs for these sampling locations.

### c. Eggs.

**Monitoring Network.** Fresh eggs are collected from the nearest free-ranging chicken farm in the Pueblo of San Ildefonso. These eggs are compared to eggs from chickens located in the Albuquerque area.

**Sampling Procedures, Data Management, and Quality Assurance.** Approximately 24 medium-sized eggs from the Pueblo of San Ildefonso plus eggs collected from a background area (Albuquerque) are transported in Styrofoam containers to the Laboratory and submitted to CST-9 for the analysis of tritium; total uranium;



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strontium-90; plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; americium-241; and cesium-137. All QA/QC protocols, chemical analysis, and data handling, validation, and tabulation are conducted in the same manner as described in Section 6.B.1.b.

**Radiochemical Analytical Results.** Results of radionuclide concentrations detected in eggs collected from the Pueblo of San Ildefonso and Albuquerque can be found in Table 6-9. All radionuclide concentrations, including two detectable isotopes (uranium and cesium-137), in eggs collected from the Pueblo of San Ildefonso were well below the RSRL.

**Dose Equivalents to Individuals from Ingestion of Eggs.** Table 6-10 presents the summary of the CEDE from the ingestion of eggs collected near the Pueblo of San Ildefonso and a regional background location near Albuquerque in 1995. The maximum annual CEDE (i.e., the total CEDE plus two sigma using the maximum consumption rate) for eggs collected at the Pueblo of San Ildefonso from all locations is 0.041 mrem. The total net positive difference between the CEDE due to consuming eggs, at the maximum consumption rate, from the Pueblo of San Ildefonso and from the regional background location is 0.002 mrem (<0.002% of the DOE PDL). The radionuclides contributing more than 5% to this total net positive difference are strontium-90, cesium-137, and plutonium-239. Since there were no radionuclides detected in all the egg samples, the contribution of these radionuclides to the total net positive dose appears to be from natural variability within the data set as a result of measuring low concentrations (i.e., near the detection limits of the instruments). The single factor ANOVA test shows that there is no significant difference (at the 95% level of confidence) between the maximum CEDE (i.e., average CEDE + two sigma) calculated for eggs collected from the Pueblo of San Ildefonso and the regional background in the Albuquerque area.

### d. Milk.

**Monitoring Network.** There are no milk production facilities within 15 km (9 mi) of the Laboratory—the closest working dairy, located in the Pojoaque Valley, is approximately 40 km (25 mi) away. However, because milk is considered one of the most important and universally consumed foodstuffs, the analysis of milk may yield information as to the deposition of small amounts of radionuclides over a relatively large area. Accordingly, various radionuclides in milk from the Pojoaque Valley dairy were analyzed and compared to milk collected from a dairy located in Albuquerque.

**Sampling Procedures, Data Management, and Quality Assurance.** Milk is collected directly from the dairies in the Pojoaque Valley and Albuquerque and submitted to CST-9 in the original containers for the analysis of tritium; uranium; strontium-90; plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; iodine-131; americium-241; and cesium-137. All QA/QC protocols, chemical analysis, and data handling, validation, and tabulation are conducted in the same manner as described in Section 6.B.1.b.

**Radiochemical Analytical Results.** Analyses of milk collected from the Pojoaque Valley and Albuquerque during June and September of 1995 are given in Table 6-11. All radionuclides concentrations, including detectable levels of uranium, were within RSRLs and were similar to those obtained in previous years; neither increasing nor decreasing trends are evident. Tritium (−0.20 to −0.10 pCi/mL) and strontium-90 (2.6 to 4.7 pCi/L) levels, in particular, compare well with tritium (avg 0.06 pCi/mL) and strontium-90 levels (avg 12.0 pCi/L) in milk from other states around the country. Milk collected from both Pojoaque Valley and Albuquerque dairies contained detectable uranium levels. However, the concentrations were not higher than RSRLs, and not unexpected as uranium is a natural element in all soils and the degree to which it is found in milk depends on many factors including the geology, mineralogy, vegetation, and meteorological (wind and rain) conditions of the area (Wicker 1982).

**Dose Equivalents to Individuals from Ingestion of Milk.** Table 6-12 presents the summary of the CEDE from the ingestion of milk and milk products collected in the Pojoaque Valley for 1995. The results from 1994 are also presented for comparison. The maximum annual CEDE (i.e., the total CEDE plus two sigma for the maximum consumption rate) for milk is 0.875 mrem from the regional background sample (near Albuquerque). The total net positive difference (see Section 3.B.3.d) between the CEDE due to consuming milk at the maximum consumption rate, from the Pojoaque Valley and from the regional background location is 0.063 mrem (<0.07% of the DOE PDL). For the average consumption rate, this difference decreases to 0.025 mrem (<0.03% of the DOE PDL). The radionuclides contributing more than 5% to this total net positive difference are plutonium-239 and iodine-131, and this appears to be due to the natural variability within the data set as a result of measuring low concentrations (i.e., near the detection limits of the instruments).

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The single factor ANOVA test shows that there is no significant difference (at the 95% level of confidence) between the maximum CEDE (i.e., average CEDE + two sigma) calculated for milk samples. The confidence intervals for these data sets overlap indicating that there is no difference between the 1994 and the 1995 CEDEs from these two dairies.

### e. Fish.

**Monitoring Network.** Fish are collected annually upstream and downstream of the Laboratory (Figure 6-3). Cochiti Reservoir, a 10,690-ac flood and sediment control project, is located on the Rio Grande approximately 5 mi downstream from the Laboratory. Radionuclides in fish collected from Cochiti Reservoir are compared to fish collected from background reservoirs: Abiquiu, Heron, and/or El Vado. Abiquiu, Heron, and El Vado Reservoirs are located on the Rio Chama, upstream from the confluence of the Rio Grande and intermittent streams that cross Laboratory lands.

Two types of fish were collected: game (surface-feeders) and nongame (bottom-feeders). Game fish include Rainbow Trout (*Salmo gairdneri*), Brown Trout (*Salmo trutta*), Kokanee Salmon (*Oncorhynchus nerka*), Largemouth Bass (*Micropterus salmoides*), Smallmouth Bass (*Micropterus dolomieu*), White Crappie (*Pomoxis annularis*), and Walleye (*Stizostedion vitreum*). Nongame fish include the White Sucker (*Catostomus commersoni*), Channel Catfish (*Ictalurus punctatus*), Carp (*Cyprinus carpio*), and Carp Sucker (*Carpiodes carpio*).

**Sample Procedures, Data Management, and Quality Assurance.** Fish are collected by hook and line, trot line, or gill nets (Salazar 1984). Fish samples are transported under ice to the laboratory for preparation. At the laboratory, fish heads and tails are removed, and fish are gutted and washed. Muscle tissue is processed; wet, dry, and ash weights are determined; and ash is submitted for analysis. Concentrations of tritium, total uranium; strontium-90; plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; americium-241; and cesium-137 are determined. Also, the ratio of uranium-235 to uranium-238 in bottom-feeding fish is determined by thermal ionization mass spectrometry (Efurd 1993). All results are reported on an oven-dry-weight basis (dry g). Variations in the mean radionuclide content in fish collected upstream and downstream of the Laboratory are tested using a nonparametric Wilcoxon Rank Sum Test at the 0.05 probability level (Gilbert 1987). Heavy and trace metals in fish are also analyzed. Fish are submitted under full chain-of-custody directly to CST-9 for metals analysis. Results are reported on a wet basis. All QA/QC protocols, chemical analysis, and data handling, validation, and tabulation are conducted in the same manner as described in Section 6.B.1.b.

**Radiochemical Analytical Results.** Concentration of radionuclides in game and nongame fish collected upstream and downstream of the Laboratory are presented in Table 6-13. The concentrations of most radionuclides, with the exception of uranium in surface-feeding fish, were not significantly different ( $p < 0.05$ ) in game (surface-feeding) and nongame (bottom-feeding) fish collected from Cochiti Reservoir as compared to fish collected from reservoirs located upstream of the Laboratory. These results compare well with radionuclide contents in crappie, trout, and salmon from comparable (background) reservoirs and lakes in Colorado (Wicker 1972, Nelson 1969).

Although total uranium concentrations were significantly higher in game fish from Cochiti Reservoir as compared to background, concentrations were still within the RSRLs ( $< 6.5$  ng/dry g). Using isotopic ratios to determine if the uranium was from LANL illustrated that this was naturally occurring uranium (i.e., ratios indicated no enriched or depleted uranium). In addition, there was no evidence of uranium-236; this isotope does not occur in nature and is indicative of the presence of man-made uranium (Efurd 1993).

These higher than background concentrations of naturally occurring uranium in Cochiti Reservoir game fish samples can be attributed to the following: (1) Cochiti receives greater amounts of sediments than the other reservoirs (EARE 1995), (2) there are more uranium-bearing minerals around the Cochiti area (e.g., uranium in Bandelier Tuff around the Los Alamos area ranges in concentration from 4.0 to 11.4  $\mu\text{g/g}$  [Crowe 1978; Fresquez 1996a]) than in areas upstream of Cochiti (e.g., uranium in soils from northern New Mexico ranges in concentration from 1.3 to 4.05  $\mu\text{g/g}$  [Purtymun 1987; Fresquez 1996a]), and (3) some uranium may be entering Cochiti Reservoir via the Santa Fe River as this river flows past the edge of an abandoned 25-ac uranium mine site (La Bajada Uranium Mine) approximately 9.7 km (6 mi) upstream and northeast of Cochiti Reservoir (Fresquez 1996d).

Bottom-feeders (nongame fish) from both downstream and upstream reservoirs contained higher average uranium contents (9.3 ng/dry g) than the surface feeders (2.5 ng/dry g). The higher concentration of uranium in bottom feeders as compared to surface feeders may be attributed to the ingestion of sediments on the bottom of the

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lake (Gallegos 1971). Sediments represent the accumulation or sink compartment for most radionuclides (Wicker 1982).

**Dose Equivalents to Individuals from Ingestion of Fish.** Table 6-14 presents the summary of the CEDE from the ingestion of fish collected from upstream (Abiquiu, Heron, and/or El Vado Reservoirs) and downstream (Cochiti Reservoir) of the Laboratory. The results from 1994 are also presented for comparison. The maximum annual CEDE (i.e., the total CEDE plus two sigma for the maximum consumption rate) for all fish collected is 0.150 mrem from the upstream higher-level feeders. The total net positive difference between the CEDE due to consuming fish, at the maximum consumption rate, from Cochiti Reservoir and from upstream of the Laboratory is 0.027 mrem ( $<0.03\%$  of the DOE PDL) for the bottom-feeders and 0.003 mrem ( $<0.003\%$  of the DOE PDL) for the higher-level feeders. For the average consumption rate, this difference decreases to 0.007 mrem ( $<0.008\%$  of the DOE PDL) for the bottom-feeders and  $<0.001$  mrem ( $<0.001\%$  of the DOE PDL) for the higher-level feeders. The radionuclides contributing more than 5% to these total net positive differences are strontium-90 (a naturally occurring radionuclide present from radioactive fallout) for the bottom feeders; and uranium, tritium, and plutonium-238 for the higher-level feeders. Since the only radionuclide detected in all the fish samples was strontium-90 and that occurred for only one sample, the contribution of these radionuclides to the total net positive dose appears to be from natural variability within the data set.

The single factor ANOVA test shows that there is no significant difference (at the 95% level of confidence) between the maximum CEDE (i.e., average CEDE + two sigma) calculated for fish collected from upstream of the Laboratory and from Cochiti Reservoir. This can be easily seen by noting that the two sigma error term is always higher than the CEDE value. The Student's t-Test also shows that there is no significant difference ( $p < 0.05$ ) between the 1994 CEDE and the 1995 CEDE calculated for the fish collected.

**Long-term Trends.** A summarization and trend analysis of radionuclide concentrations in game (surface-feeding) and nongame (bottom-feeding) fish collected from reservoirs upstream (Abiquiu, Heron, and El Vado) and downstream (Cochiti) of LANL from 1981 to 1993 was conducted (Fresquez 1994c). In general, the average levels of strontium-90, cesium-137, plutonium-238, and plutonium-239 in game and nongame fish collected from Cochiti Reservoir were not significantly different in fish collected from reservoirs upstream of the Laboratory. Total uranium was the only radionuclide that was significantly higher in both game and nongame fish from Cochiti Reservoir as compared to fish from Abiquiu, Heron, and El Vado Reservoirs. Uranium concentrations in fish collected from Cochiti Reservoir, however, significantly ( $p < 0.05$ ) decreased from 1981 to 1993, and no evidence of depleted uranium was found in fish samples collected from Cochiti Reservoir in 1993. Based on the average concentration of radionuclides over the years, the net positive CEDE, from consuming 46 lb of game fish is 0.005 mrem and nongame fish from Cochiti Reservoir is 0.009 mrem. The highest dose was  $<0.01\%$  of the International Commission on Radiological Protection (ICRP) permissible dose limit for protecting members of the public.

**Nonradiochemical Analytical Results.** Most trace and heavy metals in bottom-feeding fish (catfish, suckers, and carp) collected from Cochiti, Abiquiu, Heron, and El Vado Reservoirs were below the limit of detection (Table 6-15). For those elements that were above the limit of detection (e.g., mercury and selenium), the mean levels were statistically ( $p < 0.05$ ) similar in fish from Cochiti Reservoir as compared to fish collected from Abiquiu, Heron, and El Vado Reservoirs (background). In addition, all of these metals, particularly beryllium, mercury, and lead, were similar to values reported in "Environmental Surveillance in Los Alamos during 1991" (EPG 1993) and in "Environmental Surveillance in Los Alamos during 1994" (EG 1996). Mercury concentrations in fish occurring in lakes and reservoirs in NM have been of significant concern to the public for several years. However, based on three years of data, mercury concentrations in fish upstream of LANL have been consistently higher, albeit slightly, than mercury concentrations downstream of the Laboratory, and therefore, are not a reflection of Laboratory operations.

### f. Game Animals.

**Monitoring Network.** Road kills of elk and deer are collected on an annual basis from within Laboratory boundaries and the meat and bone is analyzed for various radionuclides. Four elk (*Cervus elaphus*) were collected during fiscal year (FY) 1995. These data, from muscle and bone samples, were compared to radionuclide concentration in muscle and bone samples from elk collected from regional background locations in 1993 (Fresquez 1994a).

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**Sampling Procedures, Data Management, and Quality Assurance.** Background samples are collected from the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish. Tissue from each elk are sampled (>1,000 g each of leg bone and muscle), and samples are submitted to CST-9 for the determination of tritium; uranium; strontium-90; plutonium-238; plutonium-239,240; and cesium-137. All results are reported on an oven-dry-weight basis (dry g). All QA/QC protocols, chemical analysis, and data handling, validation and tabulation are conducted in the same manner as described in Section 6.B.1.b.

**Radiochemical Analytical Results.** Results of road kill elk (bone and muscle tissue) collected during the FY95 can be found in Table 6-16. Slightly higher detectable concentrations of tritium, uranium, and plutonium-238 in bone from some on-site elk were observed as compared to similar tissues in elk collected from off-site background areas. Conversely, with the exception of tritium in two muscle samples, no detectable radionuclide concentrations above RSRLs were found in any of the muscle samples from on-site elk, including uranium or plutonium-238. In general, most of these data are within concentrations ( $\pm 2$  std dev) detected in on-site elk collected during FY93 (Fresquez 1994a). A more thorough trend analysis, including data from deer, will be conducted in the next few years.

**Dose Equivalents to Individuals from Ingestion of Game Animals.** Table 6-17 presents the summary of the CEDE in elk tissues collected via roadkills during FY95. To compare the CEDE from these elk with a regional background, elk tissues collected in FY93 at off-site locations (Fresquez 1994a) are also presented in this table. It should be noted that the analyses for the 1993 elk tissues do not include tritium, but the 1995 analyses do include tritium. The maximum annual CEDE (i.e., the total CEDE plus two sigma for the maximum consumption rate) for elk collected on-site in 1995 is 1.34 mrem for the consumption of bone tissue and 0.048 mrem for the consumption of muscle tissue. The total net positive difference (see Section 3.B.3.d) between the CEDE due to consuming bone and muscle from elk collected on site and elk collected off site in 1993, using the maximum consumption rate, is 0.216 mrem (<0.3% of the DOE PDL) and 0.027 mrem (<0.03% of the DOE PDL), respectively. For the average consumption rate, these differences decrease to 0.095 mrem (<0.1% of the DOE PDL) for bone and to 0.011 mrem (<0.02% of the DOE PDL) for muscle tissue. The radionuclides that contributed to this total net positive dose are uranium and plutonium-238 for bone; and strontium-90, plutonium-238, plutonium-239, and tritium for muscle. Since elk collected on site had concentrations of strontium and plutonium in the muscle tissues but the off-site elk muscle did not, it is questionable whether these radionuclides actually contributed to the total net positive difference or not. Collecting additional off-site elk will be necessary to determine whether these radionuclides contributed to this difference.

The single factor ANOVA test shows that there is no significant difference (at the 95% level of confidence) between the maximum CEDE (i.e., average CEDE + two sigma) calculated for elk tissues collected from on-site or off-site locations. The Student's t-Test also shows that there is no significant difference (at the 95% level of confidence) between the 1993 CEDE and the 1995 CEDE calculated for the elk sample collected.

### 3. Biological Resources Monitoring

**a. Aquatic Invertebrates.** The Biology Team has conducted field studies of stream macroinvertebrate communities within Sandia Canyon since 1990 to assess environmental impacts of Laboratory operations. The team records water quality field parameters simultaneously with taking monthly collections of aquatic invertebrates. Data were collected using standard techniques (Batelle 1977, Schwenneker 1984). Data obtained from the sampling stations indicate that the number and diversity of macroinvertebrates in Sandia Canyon are a function of water quality and physical characteristics of the stream. Macroinvertebrate diversity and community complexity generally increase with increased distance downstream from the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)-permitted outfalls. In 1995, quantitative sampling was initiated, and all collected midges (Family Chironomidae) were sent to a LANL consultant for genus- or species-level identifications. These changes will provide greater accuracy in data analysis of aquatic community diversity and composition.

Aquatic invertebrates and water quality were systematically investigated at six springs and three stream confluences along the Rio Grande in White Rock Canyon for the first time during the fall of 1994 and the spring of 1995. Water quality measurements showed that the pH of both springs and streams decrease between spring and autumn, the springs had more stable temperature regimes than the streams, and that great variations in flow rates existed between individual springs and streams. In terms of aquatic invertebrate communities, the stream habitats

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showed high seasonal variances, the dominant taxon frequently changed seasonally in both springs and streams, and most springs and streams appeared capable of supporting well-developed communities.

In 1995, aquatic biological research continued in Guaje and Los Alamos Canyons for the final year of a three-year study. Invertebrate samples were collected seasonally at three permanent stations in each canyon. All recorded field parameters were within ranges set by the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission's standards for high-quality cold-water fisheries during 1995 (NMWQCC 1995). Increased water temperatures and seasonal drought in lower Los Alamos Canyon were the most significant impacts noted. According to Rapid Biological Protocol metric III analysis comparing stations in Guaje (the control canyon) to stations in Los Alamos (the study canyon), 1995 water quality was slightly impaired at Station LA1, moderately impaired at Station LA2, and severely impaired at LA3. This pattern of increasing downstream impairment was also substantiated by decreasing standing crop numbers and biodiversity values.

**b. Terrestrial Invertebrates.** EST continued laboratory-wide studies of terrestrial arthropods during 1995. Arthropods were collected using pitfall traps, beating nets, collecting nets, burlap traps, and black light traps (Arnett 1993). All arthropods were identified by a trained entomologist. Arthropod populations are used as indicators of general ecosystem health and are therefore monitored at LANL. Table 6-18 is a list of the insect families that have been collected on LANL property as of December 1995, and Table 6-19 lists the noninsect arthropods collected. The diversity and population numbers of arthropods found on LANL property are not different from those found in control areas outside of LANL. There is no indication that LANL operations are having a negative influence on arthropod diversity or health.

**c. Reptiles and Amphibians.** During 1995, the populations of reptiles and amphibians were monitored in Pajarito Canyon wetlands to gather baseline information on the number and species of animals that use these wetlands. Animals were collected using standard pitfall traps (Stebbins 1985). These data will eventually be used to perform ecological risk assessments. Captures included among other things: Tiger Salamanders (*Ambystoma tigrinum*), Woodhouse Toads (*Bufo Woodhousei*) Canyon Tree Frogs (*Hyla arenicolor*), Eastern Fence Lizards (*Sceloporus undulatus*) and Many-lined Skinks (*Eumeces multivirgatus*) (Table 6-20). The data indicates that the plateau whiptail lizard (*Cnemidophorus velox*) was the most abundant reptile captured, and the chorus frog (*Pseudacris triseriata*) was the most abundant amphibian. These populations will continue to be monitored in the future and used to assess the overall health of wetland areas. The number and diversity of reptiles and amphibians captured in this study were as expected for this area.

Surveys were also conducted in Mortandad Canyon for the state endangered Jemez Mountains Salamander (*Plethodon neomexicanus*). No salamanders were found during these searches.

**d. Birds.** During the 1995 field season, six bird surveys were performed in accordance with standard ornithological techniques (Keller 1995a). Each survey covered a total length of approximately 5 km. Surveys were conducted in Los Alamos Canyon, Cañada del Buey, TA-67 Mesa, and Puye Mesa. Approximately 2,000 total individual birds were encountered during the surveys including a total of 78 resident bird species. Table 6-21 lists the more prevalent species identified in these surveys. The populations of birds on LANL lands do not differ from the predicted populations for this type of topography and vegetation zones.

In addition to these surveys, systematic surveys were conducted on LANL lands for the northern goshawk, a candidate under the federal Endangered Species Act. Surveys were begun in suitable habitat to determine the presence of the Mexican spotted owl and the southwestern willow flycatcher, species protected under the federal Endangered Species Act. No nesting goshawks were found on LANL lands, but portions of LANL lands were determined to be northern goshawk post-fledgling management areas. Mexican spotted owls were found to be nesting on LANL property, and southwestern willow flycatcher were not found to be nesting on LANL lands. However, LANL property does contain suitable nesting habitat for these species. All areas of the Laboratory with suitable threatened, endangered, or sensitive species habitat will continue to be monitored and managed.

**e. Small Mammals.** Small mammal contaminant studies were conducted primarily in two areas of LANL during 1995: Mortandad Canyon and TA-54, Area G.

**Mortandad Canyon.** Small mammals, plants, and sediments were sampled at one upstream location (Site 1) and two downstream locations (Site 2 and Site 3) from NPDES outfall #051-051 in Mortandad Canyon, Los Alamos County, NM. The purpose of the sampling was to identify radionuclides potentially present, to quantitatively estimate and compare the amount of radionuclide uptake at specific locations (Site 2 and Site 3)

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within Mortandad Canyon to an upstream site (Site 1), and to identify the primary mode (inhalation/ingestion, or surface contact) of contamination to small mammals. Samples were analyzed for americium-241, strontium-90, plutonium-238, plutonium-239, and total uranium. Plants were collected at all three sites within the small mammal grid. Three samples of understory (grasses and forbs) and overstory (shrubs and trees) vegetation were taken for each site. At each of the three locations, five subsamples were collected of sediments. Samples were collected across the stream bed channel at the 0-to-5 cm (0-to-2 in.) depth. Samples were submitted to CST-9 on the same day. All methods of radiochemical analyses have been described previously (Salazar 1984).

*Radiochemical Analytical Results.* Analyses of results from Mortandad Canyon in 1995 have not been completed, pending funding.

**Area G.** Small mammals were sampled at two waste burial sites (1 and 2) at Area G, TA-54 and a control site on Frijoles Mesa (Site 4) in 1995 to identify radionuclides that are present within surface and subsurface soils at waste burial sites, to compare the amount of radionuclide uptake by small mammals at waste burial sites to a control site, and to identify the primary mode of contamination to small mammals, either through surface contact or ingestion/inhalation. Three composite samples of at least five animals per sample were collected at each site. Pelts and carcasses of each animal were separated and analyzed independently. Samples were analyzed for americium-241, strontium-90, plutonium-238, plutonium-239, total uranium, cesium-137, and tritium.

*Radiochemical Analytical Results.* Total levels of radionuclides detected in small mammals are reported in Table 6-22. Higher concentrations of uranium, americium-241, plutonium-238, and plutonium-239 in pelts as compared to carcasses suggested that the primary route of contamination was through surface contact. Site 1 had higher mean tritium concentrations in pelts and carcasses than Site 2 or the control (Site 4), and Site 2 had higher mean plutonium-239 concentrations than Site 1 or the control (Site 4).

**f. Large Mammals.** Large mammal studies were initiated in January 1995 to evaluate the use of the Laboratory by elk and deer. Animals were captured using modified clover traps baited with apple mash and alfalfa. Four elk and one deer were fitted with radio collars. Trapping took place during winter and early spring. Animals were located at least once a week using triangulation with handheld receivers and antennas.

**g. Preoperational Studies.** Preoperational studies are required by DOE Order 5400.1 for areas where a new facility or process may significantly impact the environment (DOE 1988). The order requires that chemical, physical, and biological characteristics be assessed before the site is disturbed.

Comprehensive ecological studies were conducted for three projects during 1995. These studies included biological assessments for the Dual Axis Radiographic Hydrodynamic Test (DARHT) facility (Keller 1995b), the Los Alamos townsite portions of the Infrastructure Support Facility (ISF) gas line project (Biggs 1996), and the Norton Powerline pole replacement project (Keller 1996).

These assessments include information on floodplains and wetlands; threatened, endangered, and sensitive species; vegetation understory (grass and forbs) and overstory (trees); invertebrates (insects and spiders); and wildlife (reptiles, amphibians, birds, mammals) found within each project area.

Mitigation measures were included in all assessments to minimize the ecological impact of these projects. All assessments concluded that none of the projects is likely to adversely affect the biota of the area if the mitigation measures are strictly followed.

**h. Long-Term Trends.** Because contaminant monitoring of biological resources began in 1994, it is too early to conclusively define any long-term trends. Monitoring of flora and fauna will continue in order to eventually accumulate enough data to analyze long-term trends.

### C. Special Studies

#### 1. Sampling of Perimeter Surface Soils at Technical Area 54, Area G

During FY95, 58 surface soil samples were collected from the perimeter of TA-54, Area G. The locations of these surface soil samples were established so that they could indicate whether contaminants were moving outside the TA-54, Area G perimeter fence under the influence of surface water runoff. That is, each sampling point was located in an obvious (but small) drainage channel just outside the perimeter fence. These sampling locations were thus biased to best determine movement of contaminated soil being carried by surface water runoff from within the confines of TA-54, Area G to beyond the Area G fence (Conrad 1996).

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During FY95, the radioactive constituents measured in these surface soil samples included americium-241, cesium-137, isotopic plutonium, total uranium, and tritium. In addition, six soil samples were analyzed for the metals silver, arsenic, barium, beryllium, cadmium, chromium, mercury, nickel, lead, and antimony.

The analytical results of the FY95 surface soil sampling are found in Tables 6-23 and 6-24. Table 6-23 indicates that the perimeter soils at TA-54, Area G are generally elevated above background levels for tritium and plutonium. The most elevated concentrations of tritium in soils are prevalent in the locations that are adjacent to the tritium disposal shafts (sample series G-27-33) and the transuranic (TRU) pads (sample series G-38-50). Isotopic plutonium and americium-241 activity appear to be only slightly elevated in those perimeter locations adjacent to the TRU pads. Cesium-137 and uranium are uniformly distributed in the perimeter locations, and there is no evidence for localized elevated levels of either of these constituents in the perimeter soils sampled.

The concentrations of metals on those soils sampled indicated that there is no elevated distribution of any of the metals on the perimeter soils (Table 6-24).

The results of the perimeter surface soil sampling performed during FY95 indicate that in the areas of the tritium disposal shafts and TRU pads, soils, contaminated to varying degrees by tritium and plutonium, are being moved by surface water runoff from the TA-54, Area G disposal area to outside the perimeter fence. No gross changes in radioactivity in surface soils sampled were observed during FY95, although tritium concentrations in soils were generally lower than in FY94. No new locations where surface soils were elevated with radioactivity were defined by the FY95 sampling. These findings are consistent with analogous measurements taken in FY93 and FY94.

### 2. Radionuclide Concentrations in and/or on Vegetation at Radioactive Waste Disposal Area G during the 1995 Growing Season

Overstory (piñon pine) and understory (grass and forb) vegetation were collected within and around selected points at TA-54, Area G, a low-level radioactive solid waste disposal facility at LANL, for the analysis of tritium, strontium-90, plutonium-238 and plutonium-239, cesium-137, and total uranium. Also, heavy metals (silver, arsenic, barium, beryllium, cadmium, chromium, mercury, nickel, lead, antimony, selenium, and thallium) in and/or on vegetation were determined. In general, most (unwashed) vegetation collected within and around TA-54, Area G contained tritium, uranium, plutonium-238, and plutonium-239 in higher concentrations than vegetation collected from regional (background) areas. Tritium, in particular, was detected as high as 7,300 pCi/mL in understory vegetation collected from the west side of the TRU pads. The south and west ends of the tritium shaft field also contained elevated levels of tritium in overstory, and especially in understory vegetation, as compared to background; this suggests that tritium may be migrating from this waste repository through surface and subsurface pathways. Also, understory vegetation collected north of the TRU pads (adjacent to the fence line of TA-54, Area G) contained the highest values of plutonium-238 and plutonium-239 as compared to background, and may be a result of surface holding, storage, and/or disposal activities.

With the exception of a few slightly elevated heavy metal elements in and/or on vegetation as compared to background, most heavy metals in and/or on overstory and understory vegetation collected within and around TA-54, Area G were within normal background concentrations. Barium was detected in slightly higher concentrations in vegetation collected at almost all of the sites at TA-54, Area G than upper limit background concentrations. The reasons for the slightly higher values of barium in and/or on vegetation at TA-54, Area G as compared to background are not completely known, as barium in soils within (Conrad 1995) and around TA-54, Area G were within normal background concentrations. Only one site, understory vegetation collected at the south end of the tritium shaft field, exhibited any kind of a trend; that is, concentrations of more than one heavy metal element, namely barium, beryllium, cadmium, chromium, and nickel, were detected at above background concentrations. All data and a more detailed discussion of results can be found in Fresquez 1996b.

### 3. Strontium Concentrations in Chamisa (*Chrysothamnus nauseosus*) Shrub Plants Growing in a Former Liquid Waste Disposal Area in Bayo Canyon

Chamisa (*Chrysothamnus nauseosus*) shrub plants growing in a former liquid waste disposal site (SWMU 10 003[c]) in Bayo Canyon at LANL were collected and analyzed for strontium-90 and total uranium. Surface soil samples were also collected from below (understory) and between (interspace) shrub canopies. Both chamisa plants growing over SWMU 10-003(c) contained significantly higher concentrations of strontium-90 than a control

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plant; one plant, in particular, contained 90,500 pCi strontium-90/g ash in top-growth material. Similarly, soil surface samples collected underneath and between plants contained strontium-90 concentrations above background and LANL SALs; this probably occurred as a result of chamisa plant leaf fall contaminating the soil understory area followed by water and/or winds moving strontium-90 to the soil interspace area. Although some soil surface migration of strontium-90 from SWMU 10-003(c) has occurred, the level of strontium-90 in sediments collected downstream of SWMU 10-003(c) at the Bayo Canyon/State Road 4 intersection was still within regional (background) concentrations. All data and a more detailed discussion of results can be found in Fresquez 1995c.

### 4. Baseline Radionuclide Concentrations in Soils and Vegetation Around the Proposed Weapons Engineering Tritium Facility and the Weapons Subsystems Laboratory at Technical Area 16

A preoperational environmental survey is required by the DOE for all federally funded research facilities that have the potential to cause adverse impacts on the environment. Therefore, in accordance with DOE Order 5400.1, an environmental survey was conducted over the proposed sites of the Weapons Engineering Tritium Facility (WETF) and the Weapons Subsystems Laboratory (WSL) at TA-16. Baseline concentrations of tritium, plutonium-238, plutonium-239, and total uranium were measured in soils, vegetation (pine needles and oak leaves) and ground litter. Tritium was also measured from air samples, while cesium-137 was measured in soils. The mean concentration of airborne tritiated water during 1987 was 3.9 pCi/m<sup>3</sup>. Although the mean annual concentration of tritium in soil moisture at the 0–5 cm (0–2 in.) soil depth was measured at 0.6 pCi/mL, a better background level, based on long-term regional data, was considered to be 2.6 pCi/mL. Mean values for cesium-137, plutonium-238, plutonium-239, and total uranium in soils collected from the 0–5 cm (0–2 in.) depth were 1.08 pCi/g, 0.0014 pCi/g, 0.0325 pCi/g, and 4.01 µg/g, respectively. Ponderosa pine (*Pinus ponderosa*) needles contained higher values of plutonium-238, plutonium-239, and total uranium than did leaves collected from gambel's oak (*Quercus gambelii*). In contrast, leaves collected from gambel's oak contained higher levels of cesium-137 than the pine needles did. All data and a more detailed discussion of results can be found in Fresquez 1995a.

### 5. Radionuclides and Radioactivity in Soils Within and Around Los Alamos National Laboratory: 1974 to 1994

A soil sampling and analysis program is the most direct means for determining the inventory, concentration, and distribution of radionuclides in the environment within and around nuclear facilities. This report summarizes radionuclide concentrations in soils collected from on-site LANL, perimeter, and regional (background) areas over a 20-year period (1974 to 1994). The upper limit background concentration (mean plus 2 std dev) for tritium, cesium-137, plutonium-238, plutonium-239, americium-241, strontium-90, total uranium, and gross alpha, beta, and gamma activity, was 6.34 pCi/mL, 1.13 pCi/g, 0.008 pCi/g, 0.028 pCi/g, 0.208 pCi/g, 0.82 pCi/g, 4.05 µg/g, 35.24 pCi/g, 13.62 pCi/g, and 7.33 pCi/g, respectively. Most perimeter and on-site soils contained three or more radionuclides, including plutonium-239 and uranium, that were significantly ( $p < 0.05$ ) higher in concentration than regional locations. The higher levels of radionuclides in perimeter soils as compared to regional soils were attributed mostly to worldwide fallout and to naturally occurring radioactivity in Bandelier Tuff soils. Higher concentrations of radionuclides detected in on-site soils as compared to perimeter and regional soils, on the other hand, were attributed to worldwide fallout, natural radioactivity, and to Laboratory operations. All data and a more detailed discussion of results can be found in Fresquez 1995b.

### 6. Radionuclide and Heavy Metal Concentrations in Soil, Vegetation, and Fish Collected Around and Within Tsicoma Lake in Santa Clara Canyon

Radionuclide (tritium, strontium-90, cesium-137, plutonium-238, plutonium-239, and total uranium) and heavy metal (silver, arsenic, barium, beryllium, cadmium, chromium, mercury, nickel, lead, antimony, selenium, and thallium) concentrations were determined in soil, vegetation (overstory and understory), and fish (rainbow trout) collected around and within Tsicoma Lake in Santa Clara Canyon in 1995. All heavy metal and most radionuclide concentrations around or within Tsicoma Lake, with the exception of uranium in soil, vegetation, and fish, were within or just above RSRLs. Detectable levels (where the analytical result was greater than two times the counting uncertainty) of uranium in soils, vegetation, and fish from Tsicoma Lake were found in slightly higher concentrations than in background samples. Overall, however, the maximum total CEDE (95% confidence



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level)—based on the consumption of 46 lb of fish—from Tsicoma Lake (0.066 mrem yr was within the maximum total CEDE from the ingestion of fish from the Mescalero National Fish Hatchery (background) (0.113 mrem/yr). All data and a more detailed discussion of results can be found in Fresquez 1996c.

### 7. Tritium Concentrations in Bees and Honey at Los Alamos National Laboratory

LANL has maintained a network of honey bee colonies at on-site LANL, perimeter (Los Alamos townsite and White Rock/Pajarito Acres) and regional (background) areas for more than 15 years; the main objective of this honey bee network was to help determine the bioavailability of certain radionuclides in the environment. Of all the radionuclides studied (tritium, cobalt-57, beryllium-7, sodium-22, magnesium-54, rubidium-83, cesium-137, plutonium-238, plutonium-239, strontium-90, and total uranium), tritium was consistently detected in bees and was most readily transferred to the honey. In fact, honey collected from hives located at TA-21, TA-33, TA-35, TA-53, and TA-54 and from White Rock/Pajarito Acres contained significantly higher concentrations of tritium than regional background hives. Based on the average concentration of all radionuclides measured over the years, the net positive CEDE from consuming 5 kg (11 lb) of honey collected from the Los Alamos townsite and White Rock/Pajarito Acres, after regional background has been subtracted, was 0.0036 ( $\pm 0.0100$ ) and 0.00084 ( $\pm 0.00061$ ) mrem/yr, respectively. The highest net positive CEDE, based on the mean + 2 standard deviation (95% confidence level), was 0.024 mrem/yr (Los Alamos townsite); this was <0.03% of the ICRP permissible dose limit of 100 mrem/yr from all pathways. All data and a more detailed discussion of results can be found in Fresquez 1994b.

### 8. Native American Involvement in Flora and Fauna Sampling to Support Human Health Risk Evaluations in the Vicinity of Los Alamos National Laboratory

LANL, located in northern New Mexico, is evaluating risks to human health and the environment that may have resulted from development of the atomic bomb and subsequent nuclear weapons development and research activities. The remediation of a number of LANL sites is being carried out under the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, which requires public involvement and acceptance of the remediation plan. Models for assessing past, present, and future risk have been modified to more accurately assess exposure pathways likely to occur at the Native American Pueblos in the vicinity of LANL. To ensure that these models have adequate data to characterize the appropriate input parameters, LANL is involving tribal members in development of sampling plans and collection of samples. This process is being instituted to ensure (1) that the media deemed important as potential exposure sources are adequately sampled; (2) that exposure points of most concern to the pueblos because of either frequency or intensity of contact are sampled; and (3) that bioconcentration factors are obtained that are appropriate for the site in plant and animal species of concern. This process has included involvement of tribal representatives in collecting samples of ecological and dietary concern such as fish, game, and indigenous plant materials. For example, tribal input is used to determine native plant species important to the tribe, identification of potential contamination in these species, and comparison of vegetation patterns with patterns in reference communities. In addition, site-specific uptake factors for contaminants of concern in plants cultivated at the pueblos have been determined. Uptake is known to be dependent on the climatic conditions, soil texture, pH, and moisture level and the specific plant or plant parts being examined. Conditions at the pueblos typically involve alkaline soils, and a growing season with extreme sunlight and arid conditions. Plant species cultivated for dietary consumption typically include a finite set with corn and squash comprising a major portion of the diet. The exposure models developed for the pueblo assessments appear to be most sensitive to these plant uptake values, therefore mandating appropriate values for these parameters to ensure accuracy of risk predictions. Samples are also being collected from fish, elk, and other game whose range includes contaminated regions. Patterns of meat distribution from hunted game within the pueblos increase the number of people likely to ingest potentially contaminated meat, making this an important source term in calculating potential exposure. In addition, data obtained from plant and game samples within contaminated regions will be important in assessing the impact of contamination on the ecosystem.

### 9. Ecotoxicological Screen of a Mortandad Canyon Area

Potential ecological risk associated with soil contaminants at a Mortandad Canyon site at LANL was assessed by performing an ecotoxicological risk screen. The site is down-channel from US EPA Outfall 051-051, which

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discharges treated effluent from the Radioactive Liquid Waste Treatment Facility (RLWTF). Discharge at the outfall is permitted under the Clean Water Act National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit. Radionuclide discharge is regulated by DOE Order 5400.5.

Ecotoxicological screening action levels (ESALs) were computed for nonradionuclide constituents in soil, and human risk SALs for radionuclides were used as ESALs. Soil was sampled at three points along each of nine linear transects located at 100 ft intervals down-channel from the outfall. Soil samples from 3 depths for each sampling point were analyzed for the concentrations of 121 constituents. Maximum soil contaminant concentrations were compared to ESALs. Only the results of surface sampling for radionuclide concentrations is reported in full.

The spatial change in radionuclide concentration from the outfall to the down-canyon sample locations was not statistically significant. The average concentration (19.7 pCi/g) of alpha-emitting radionuclides was higher than values reported in a different study for 15 on-site locations for the period 1978–1981 and is 242% of the mean gross alpha concentration measured in the same area between 1975 and 1977. The standard deviation within transect means 3.1 pCi/g. Of 121 screened soil constituents, 42 met the criteria for needed further study; however, for 25 of the 42 were potential contaminants for concern for which the maximum soil concentration was equal to or less than the lowest required analytical limit, which is known as the “contractor required quantitation limit” (crql). Excluding the crql-related contaminants, there were no semivolatiles, 1 volatile, 5 inorganics and 11 radionuclides. There was inadequate data to make a determination for 20 analytes. The heavy metals may be a concern because of their susceptibility to biomagnification. Although the results of subsurface sampling are not reported here, a cursory review of the data revealed that the concentrations of several of the metals are highest at the intermediate sampling depth, 1.5–2.5 ft. The results of this study may present issues related to the Clean Water Act and/or the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act regarding requirements to conduct ecological risk assessments. At least 17 contaminants should be investigated in an ecological risk assessment.

### 10. Small Mammal Study in Sandia Canyon

The purpose of this study was to gather data on species richness, diversity, density, biomass, and physical characteristics (weight, length, and lean body mass) of nocturnal small mammal populations in three areas of Sandia Canyon. Sandia Canyon receives outfall effluents from multiple sources, and we compared small mammal population characteristics at increasing distances from the outfall sources to other locations in Los Alamos County. Location 1 was closest to the outfall sources and Location 3 farthest away.

Animals were marked with size #FF rodent ear tags. Location of capture, species name, sex, weight, body length, tail length, ear length, foot length, tag number, and lean body mass (determined using a nondestructive scanner) were recorded. Incidental kills were kept for species confirmation/accuracy rates, food habits analysis of stomach contents, and chemical analysis for percent body fat. Additionally, on the final day of trapping, all or a portion of animals captured at each site were sacrificed for these analyses.

Two locations had relatively greater species richness, primarily due to habitat differences. Locations 1 and 2 contained both cattail marsh and upland areas. These locations had species indicative of wet environment (shrews and voles) as well as upland environments (deer and brush mice). Location 3, however, was centered over a very narrow riparian stream channel, and the majority of the species captured were characteristic of upland environments. Species diversity index values (1.60, 1.65, and 0.67 for Locations 1, 2, and 3, respectively) were very similar to indices calculated at other sites with similar habitat within LANL (Raymer 1994). The differences in species diversity indices appeared to be directly related to habitat type.

Density estimates were calculated for all three webs. Location 1, with the greatest extend of cattail marsh, had the highest density estimate. However, statistical analysis could not be performed on the estimates due to insufficient sample size. Statistical analysis also was not performed on the biomass estimates due to insufficient sample size. However, Location 1 (2,638 g/ha) had a higher biomass estimate than Locations 2 (1,237 g/ha) and 3 (510 g/ha). Voles made up 40% of the animals captured at Location 1, relative to 20% at Location 2 and 3.3% at location 3. Voles have the largest mass of the species captured.

Decreased body weight, body length, and percent body fat (measured as an increase in lean body mass) can indicate reduced health of organisms. These factors were evaluated for rodents captured at each location. There was no evidence of changes in weight, length, or lean body mass with increasing distance from outfall sources. Deer and brush mice captured at the three locations had a mean body weight and body length within the normal range for these species.

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### D. Tables

**Table 6-1. Location of Soil Sampling Stations<sup>a</sup>**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Map Denotation</b>	<b>Northing Coordinate<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>Easting Coordinate<sup>b</sup></b>
<b>Regional</b>			
Rio Chama		1844693.096	1677875.228
Embudo		1816440.315	1744693.086
Otowi		1777182.637	1668721.670
Near Santa Cruz		1816438.561	1744700.759
Cochiti		1644216.892	1647114.194
Bernalillo		1572864.707	1549601.021
Jemez		1719495.437	1502276.101
<b>Perimeter</b>			
L.A. Sportsman Club	S1	1788136.211	1636493.387
North Mesa	S2	1780072.446	1630330.015
Near TA-8 (GT Site)	S3	1768805.627	1609433.446
Near TA-49	S4	1755456.289	1620318.345
White Rock (East)	S5	1758301.447	1655116.466
Tsankawi	S6	1768110.302	1647985.099
<b>On-Site</b>			
TA-21 (DP Site)	S7	1774989.218	1631266.389
East of TA-53	S8	1772914.010	1629196.631
TA-50	S9	1769548.575	1626390.047
Two-Mile Mesa	S10	1769494.453	1615386.422
East of TA-54	S11	1757882.733	1645162.755
R-Site Road East	S12	1761923.229	1625863.108
Potrillo Drive	S13	1759475.770	1635153.829
S-Site (TA-16)	S14	1759328.803	1618868.688
Near Test Well DT-9	S15	1752337.978	1629594.961
Near TA-33	S16	1740806.015	1638487.987

<sup>a</sup>Soil sampling locations are given in Figures 6-1 and 6-2.

<sup>b</sup>New Mexico State Planar Coordinates, NAD 1983.

Table 6-2. Radiochemical Analyses of Soils Collected in 1995

Location	<sup>3</sup> H (pCi/mL)	<sup>90</sup> Sr (pCi/g)	<sup>137</sup> Cs (pCi/g)	Total Uranium (µg/g)	<sup>238</sup> Pu (pCi/g)	<sup>239,240</sup> Pu (pCi/g)	<sup>241</sup> Am (pCi/g)	Gross Alpha (pCi/g)	Gross Beta (pCi/g)	Gross Gamma (pCi/g)
<b>Off-Site Regional (Background) Stations:</b>										
Rio Chama	0.10 (0.60) <sup>a</sup>	0.10 (0.40)	0.25 (0.10)	0.83 (0.16)	0.000 (0.002)	0.006 (0.002)	0.008 (0.008)	2.5 (1.0)	2.5 (0.6)	2.3 (0.6)
Embudo	0.20 (0.60)	0.10 (0.40)	0.45 (0.14)	1.62 (0.32)	0.004 (0.002)	0.018 (0.004)	0.010 (0.004)	5.6 (4.8)	4.8 (1.2)	3.6 (0.8)
Otowi	0.10 (0.60)	0.50 (0.60)	0.51 (0.14)	1.95 (0.40)	0.002 (0.002)	0.019 (0.006)	0.007 (0.006)	6.7 (6.0)	4.8 (1.2)	3.5 (0.8)
Santa Cruz	0.40 (0.60)	0.40 (0.60)	0.46 (0.14)	1.85 (0.38)	0.003 (0.002)	0.021 (0.004)	0.009 (0.008)	6.4 (9.4)	5.6 (1.6)	4.2 (1.0)
Cochiti	0.20 (0.60)	0.30 (0.40)	0.10 (0.06)	1.31 (0.26)	0.005 (0.004)	0.007 (0.004)	0.002 (0.004)	4.1 (2.6)	3.8 (1.0)	3.0 (0.8)
Bernalillo	0.20 (0.60)	0.10 (0.40)	0.24 (0.08)	2.81 (0.56)	0.002 (0.002)	0.011 (0.004)	0.008 (0.008)	9.1 (12.0)	5.4 (1.4)	3.6 (0.8)
Jemez	0.30 (0.60)	0.30 (0.60)	0.50 (0.14)	2.53 (0.50)	0.012 (0.004)	0.012 (0.004)	0.005 (0.006)	3.8 (4.8)	3.0 (0.8)	3.8 (0.8)
Mean (±2SD)	0.21 (0.21)	0.26 (0.32)	0.36 (0.32)	1.84 (1.36)	0.004 (0.008)	0.013 (0.012)	0.007 (0.006)	5.5 (4.4)	4.3 (2.4)	3.4 (1.2)
RSRL <sup>b</sup>	6.34	0.82	1.13	4.05	0.008	0.028	0.208	35.3	13.6	7.3
SAL <sup>c</sup>	1,900.00 <sup>d</sup>	4.40	5.10	29.00	27.000	24.000	22.000			
<b>Off-Site Perimeter Stations:</b>										
LA Sportsman Club	0.20 (0.60)	0.80 (0.40)	0.62 (0.18)	3.32 (0.66)	0.037 (0.006) <sup>e</sup>	0.040 (0.006) <sup>e</sup>	0.007 (0.004)	8.0 (5.6)	6.5 (1.6)	4.2 (1.0)
North Mesa	0.20 (0.60)	0.20 (0.60)	0.32 (0.12)	3.14 (0.62)	0.002 (0.002)	0.018 (0.004)		---	---	---
TA-8/GT Site	-0.10 <sup>f</sup> (0.60)	0.50 (0.40)	1.21 (0.28) <sup>e</sup>	2.39 (0.48)	0.024 (0.006) <sup>e</sup>	0.045 (0.008) <sup>e</sup>	0.016 (0.004)	5.0 (2.6)	6.0 (1.4)	4.3 (1.0)
TA-49	0.20 (0.60)	0.30 (0.40)	0.41 (0.12)	3.50 (0.70)	0.008 (0.004)	0.024 (0.006)	0.010 (0.004)	8.0 (5.0)	7.4 (1.8)	3.9 (0.8)
White Rock (East)	0.10 (0.60)	0.40 (0.40)	0.30 (0.10)	2.20 (0.44)	0.013 (0.006) <sup>e</sup>	0.012 (0.008)	0.006 (0.002)	5.5 (3.0)	4.6 (1.2)	3.3 (0.8)
Tsankawi	0.10 (0.60)	0.40 (0.60)	0.13 (0.08)	4.19 (0.84) <sup>e</sup>	0.004 (0.004)	0.006 (0.002)	0.004 (0.002)	5.2 (2.0)	2.9 (0.6)	4.7 (1.0)
Mean (±2SD)	0.12 (0.23)	0.43 (0.41)	0.50 (0.77)	3.12 (1.47) <sup>g</sup>	0.015 (0.027) <sup>g</sup>	0.024 (0.031)	0.009 (0.010)	6.3 (3.1)	5.5 (3.5)	4.1 (1.0) <sup>g</sup>
<b>On-Site Stations:</b>										
TA-21 (DP Site)	0.20 (0.60)	0.10 (0.60)	0.18 (0.06)	2.07 (0.42)	0.005 (0.002)	0.071 (0.008) <sup>e</sup>	0.010 (0.008)	6.7 (3.4)	5.0 (1.2)	3.5 (0.8)
West of TA-53	0.50 (0.60)	0.20 (0.60)	0.33 (0.10)	4.15 (0.84) <sup>e</sup>	0.024 (0.006) <sup>e</sup>	0.030 (0.006) <sup>e</sup>	0.008 (0.004)	6.0 (2.2)	4.1 (1.0)	3.9 (0.8)
TA-50	0.20 (0.60)	0.80 (0.60)	0.62 (0.16)	5.29 (1.06) <sup>e</sup>	0.030 (0.006) <sup>e</sup>	0.351 (0.024) <sup>e</sup>	0.034 (0.006)	9.4 (7.4)	8.7 (2.2)	3.7 (0.8)
Two-Mile Mesa	0.30 (0.60)	0.60 (0.80)	0.47 (0.14)	2.71 (0.54)	0.005 (0.004)	0.021 (0.006)	0.007 (0.004)	5.0 (3.0)	5.5 (1.4)	3.2 (0.8)
East of TA-54	0.00 (0.60)	0.50 (0.80)	0.10 (0.04)	2.43 (0.48)	0.014 (0.004) <sup>e</sup>	0.024 (0.006)	0.006 (0.004)	4.4 (1.8)	3.2 (0.8)	3.4 (0.8)
R-Site Road East	0.40 (0.60)	1.30 (1.20) <sup>e</sup>	0.57 (0.16)	7.83 (1.56) <sup>e</sup>	0.002 (0.002)	0.025 (0.006)		---	---	---
Potrillo Drive	0.30 (0.60)	0.30 (0.80)	0.30 (0.10)	2.53 (0.50)	0.021 (0.004) <sup>e</sup>	0.013 (0.004)	0.007 (0.004)	7.4 (5.0)	5.1 (1.2)	3.3 (0.8)
S-Site (TA-16)	0.30 (0.60)	1.10 (1.00) <sup>e</sup>	0.46 (0.12)	3.95 (0.80)	0.002 (0.002)	0.024 (0.004)	0.008 (0.004)	8.8 (5.4)	9.1 (2.2)	3.6 (0.8)
Near Test Well DT-9	0.20 (0.60)	0.20 (0.40)	0.32 (0.10)	2.29 (0.46)	0.002 (0.006)	0.014 (0.008)	0.008 (0.004)	6.7 (4.8)	5.9 (1.4)	3.5 (0.8)
Near TA-33	0.10 (0.60)	0.20 (0.40)	0.00 (0.18)	2.49 (0.50)	0.008 (0.002)	0.014 (0.004)	0.007 (0.002)	5.2 (3.2)	5.2 (1.2)	---
Mean (±2SD)	0.25 (0.29)	0.53 (0.83)	0.34 (0.40)	3.57 (3.64) <sup>g</sup>	0.011 (0.021)	0.059 (0.208) <sup>g</sup>	0.011 (0.018)	6.6 (3.4)	5.8 (3.9)	3.5 (0.4)

<sup>a</sup>(±2 counting uncertainty); values are the uncertainty of the analytical result at the 95% confidence level.<sup>b</sup>Regional Statistical Reference Level; this is the upper limit background concentration (mean + 2 std dev) from Fresquez (1996a).<sup>c</sup>SAL (Los Alamos National Laboratory screening action level) from Fresquez (1996a).<sup>d</sup>Equivalent to 260 pCi/dry g soil at 12% moisture.<sup>e</sup>Detectable value (where the analytical results was greater than two sigma) and higher than the RSRL.<sup>f</sup>See Appendix B for an explanation of the presence of negative values.<sup>g</sup>Statistically significant mean from background mean using a Wilcoxon Rank Sum test at the 0.05 probability level.

**Tables 6-3. Total Recoverable Trace and Heavy Metals (µg/g) in Soils Collected in 1995<sup>a</sup>**

Location	Ag	As	Ba	Be	Cd	Cr	Hg	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Tl
<b>Off-Site Regional (Background) Stations:</b>												
Rio Chama	3.1	0.9	36.0	<0.08 <sup>b</sup>	<0.4	2.8	0.04	2.9	<8.0	<0.3	0.2	<0.3
Embudo	<3.0	2.0	120.0	0.44	<0.4	11.0	0.05	7.8	<14.0	<0.3	0.5	<0.3
Otowi	<3.0	2.0	150.0	0.37	<0.4	9.2	0.04	5.1	18.0	<0.3	0.5	<0.3
Santa Cruz	<3.0	4.0	140.0	0.47	<0.4	13.0	0.04	9.0	12.0	<0.3	0.6	<0.3
Cochiti	<3.0	3.0	110.0	0.30	<0.4	8.0	0.04	5.0	9.8	<0.3	0.4	<0.3
Bernalillo	<3.0	4.0	160.0	0.63	<0.4	13.0	0.05	9.9	16.0	<0.3	0.8	<0.3
Jemez	<3.0	3.0	86.0	0.32	<0.4	8.4	0.05	4.0	<14.0	<0.3	0.4	<0.3
Mean (±2SD)	<3.0 (0.1)	2.6 (2.8)	114.6 (85.7)	<0.37 (0.34)	<0.4 (0.0)	9.3 (7.1)	0.04 (0.01)	6.2 (5.3)	<13.1 (6.9)	<0.3 (0.0)	0.5 (0.4)	<0.3 (0.0)
RSRL <sup>c</sup>	<4.4	6.0	220.0	<0.90	<0.5	17.4	<0.05	<14.8	<21.8	<0.4	<2.0	<2.4
SAL <sup>d</sup>	400.0	6.0	5,600.0	0.90	80.0	400.0	24.00	1,600.0	500.0	32.0	400.0	6.4
<b>Off-Site Perimeter Stations:</b>												
Sportsman's Club	<3.0	4.0	120.0	0.56	<0.4	11.0	0.05	6.0	19.0	<0.3	0.5	<0.3
North Mesa	<4.0	4.0	120.0	0.64	<0.4	13.0	0.06 <sup>e</sup>	<3.0	26.0 <sup>e</sup>	<0.3	0.5	<0.3
TA-8	<3.0	4.0	76.0	0.40	<0.4	10.0	0.06 <sup>e</sup>	3.4	25.0 <sup>e</sup>	<0.3	0.4	<0.3
TA-49	<3.0	4.0	150.0	0.63	<0.4	12.0	0.04	6.2	22.0 <sup>e</sup>	<0.3	0.4	<0.3
White-Rock	<3.0	3.0	120.0	0.79	<0.4	12.0	0.04	6.7	19.0	<0.3	0.5	<0.3
Tsankawi	<3.0	1.0	47.0	0.68	<0.4	5.3	<0.40	<2.0	25.0 <sup>e</sup>	<0.3	0.3	<0.3
Mean (±2SD)	<3.2 (0.8)	3.3 (2.4)	105.5 (74.3)	0.62 (0.26) <sup>f</sup>	<0.4 (0.0)	10.6 (5.5)	<0.05 (0.02)	<4.6 (4.0)	22.7 (6.3) <sup>f</sup>	<0.3 (0.0)	0.4 (0.2)	<0.3 (0.0)
<b>On-Site Stations:</b>												
TA-21	<3.0	3.0	91.0	0.74	<0.4	11.0	0.05	5.1	40.0 <sup>e</sup>	<0.3	0.4	<0.3
East of TA-53	3.5	1.0	22.0	0.27	<0.4	2.7	0.04	<2.0	19.0	<0.3	0.3	<0.3
TA-50	<3.0	3.0	110.0	0.53	<0.4	8.6	0.07 <sup>e</sup>	3.7	15.0	<0.3	0.4	<0.3
2-Mile Mesa	<3.0	4.0	81.0	0.47	<0.4	9.6	0.05	4.6	22.0 <sup>e</sup>	<0.3	0.4	<0.3
East of TA-54	<3.0	2.0	92.0	0.65	<0.4	8.4	0.04	2.9	13.0	<0.3	0.4	<0.3
R-Site-RD-E	<4.0	4.0	170.0	0.74	<0.4	11.0	0.05	<6.0	21.0	<0.3	0.4	<0.3
Potrillo-DR	<3.0	4.0	150.0	0.93 <sup>e</sup>	<0.4	14.0	0.05	9.2	21.0	0.3	0.4	<0.3
S-Site	<4.0	3.0	150.0	0.74	<0.4	8.8	0.05	4.3	14.0	<0.3	0.5	<0.3
Near Well D-T9	<4.0	3.0	120.0	0.73	<0.4	10.0	0.05	5.7	14.0	<0.3	0.4	<0.3
Near TA-33	<4.0	3.0	110.0	0.54	<0.4	8.2	0.04	7.8	21.0	<0.3	0.4	<0.3
Mean (±2SD)	<3.5 (1.0)	3.0 (1.9)	109.6 (84.8)	0.63 (0.37) <sup>f</sup>	<0.4 (0.0)	9.2 (5.8)	0.05 (0.02)	<5.1 (4.3)	20.0 (15.7) <sup>f</sup>	<0.3 (0.0)	0.4 (0.1)	<0.3 (0.0)

<sup>a</sup> Analysis by EPA Method 3051 for total recoverable metals.<sup>b</sup> The less than symbol (<) means the analysis was below the specified detection limit of the analytical method.<sup>c</sup> Regional Statistical Reference Level; this is the upper-limit background concentration (mean + 2 std dev) from Fresquez 1995.<sup>d</sup> SAL (Los Alamos National Laboratory Screening Action Level).<sup>e</sup> Higher than the RSRL.<sup>f</sup> Statistically significant mean from background mean using a Wilcoxon Rank Sum test at the 0.05 probability level.

**Table 6-4. Radionuclides in Produce Collected from Regional, Perimeter, and On-Site Areas during the 1995 Growing Season<sup>a</sup>**

	<sup>3</sup> H (pCi/mL)		<sup>90</sup> Sr (10 <sup>-3</sup> pCi/dry g)		U (ng/dry g)		<sup>238</sup> Pu (10 <sup>-5</sup> pCi/dry g)		<sup>239,240</sup> Pu (10 <sup>-5</sup> pCi/dry g)		<sup>137</sup> Cs (10 <sup>-3</sup> pCi/dry g)	
Off-Site Regional (Background) Stations												
Española/Santa Fe/Jemez:												
apples	0.3	(0.6) <sup>b</sup>	3.0	(8.0)	1.5	(0.4)	0.0	(2.0)	3.0	(4.0)	7.0	(21.0)
tomatoes	0.1	(0.6)	16.0	(96.0)	40.0	(9.6)	0.0	(0.0)	624.0	(64.0)	54.4	(41.6)
cucumbers	0.2	(0.6)	22.0	(44.0)	9.9	(2.2)	11.0	(22.0)	11.0	(22.0)	29.7	(88.0)
squash	0.0	(0.6)	96.0	(264.0)	8.4	(2.4)	0.0	(0.0)	12.0	(24.0)	88.8	(266.4)
tea	0.4	(0.6)	90.0	(120.0)	28.2	(6.0)	0.0	(12.0)	6.0	(12.0)	7.8	(24.0)
spinach	0.2	(0.6)	105.0	(630.0)	48.3	(8.4)	42.0	(42.0)	273.0	(84.0)	23.1	(71.4)
Mean	0.2	(0.3) <sup>c</sup>	55.3	(92.6)	22.7	(38.0)	8.8	(33.7)	154.8	(506.3)	35.1	(63.0)
RSRL <sup>d</sup>	16.9		75.6		38.2		35.4		67.9		690.1	
Off-Site Perimeter Stations												
Los Alamos:												
tomatoes	-0.1	(0.6) <sup>e</sup>	0.0	(32.0)	4.0	(1.6)	8.0	(16.0)	8.0	(16.0)	40.0	(43.2)
squash	0.0	(0.6)	88.0	(44.0) <sup>f</sup>	6.6	(2.2)	0.0	(22.0)	11.0	(22.0)	7.7	(22.0)
tomatoes	0.5	(0.6)	0.0	(36.0)	6.3	(1.8)	0.0	(0.0)	0.0	(0.0)	22.5	(68.4)
apples	0.1	(0.6)	2.0	(4.0)	3.0	(0.8)	2.0	(4.0)	0.0	(4.0)	1.8	(5.2)
peaches	0.1	(0.6)	10.0	(10.0)	2.5	(1.0)	5.0	(10.0)	20.0	(10.0)	3.5	(10.0)
squash	0.0	(0.6)	50.0	(20.0)	4.0	(0.8)	10.0	(20.0)	20.0	(20.0)	31.0	(30.0)
Mean	0.1	(0.4)	25.0	(72.7)	4.4	(3.4)	4.2	(8.4)	9.8	(18.0)	17.8	(31.6)
White Rock/Pajarito Acres:												
squash	-0.1	(0.6)	14.0	(56.0)	4.2	(0.8)	0.0	(0.0)	14.0	(28.0)	47.6	(142.8)
tomatoes	0.0	(0.6)	0.0	(52.0)	5.2	(1.0)	0.0	(0.0)	0.0	(0.0)	24.7	(23.4)
tea	0.4	(0.6)	63.0	(28.0)	4.2	(1.4)	0.0	(0.0)	0.0	(0.0)	13.3	(40.6)
squash	0.4	(0.6)	0.0	(44.0)	4.4	(0.9)	11.0	(22.0)	0.0	(0.0)	13.2	(41.8)
cucumbers	-0.1	(0.6)	12.0	(48.0)	3.6	(1.2)	12.0	(24.0)	12.0	(24.0)	-6.0	(57.6)
Mean	0.1	(0.5)	17.8	(52.2)	4.3	(1.2)	4.6	(12.6)	5.2	(14.3)	18.6	(39.3)

**Table 6-4. Radionuclides in Produce Collected from Regional, Perimeter, and On-Site Areas during the 1995 Growing Season<sup>a</sup> (Cont.)**

	<sup>3</sup> H		<sup>90</sup> Sr		U		<sup>238</sup> Pu		<sup>239,240</sup> Pu		<sup>137</sup> Cs	
	(pCi/mL)		(10 <sup>-3</sup> pCi/dry g)		(ng/dry g)		(10 <sup>-5</sup> pCi/dry g)		(10 <sup>-5</sup> pCi/dry g)		(10 <sup>-3</sup> pCi/dry g)	
<b>Cochiti:</b>												
squash	0.1	(0.6)	9.0	(36.0)	7.2	(1.8)	-27.0	(18.0)	0.0	(18.0)	-72.0	(43.2)
tomatoes	0.1	(0.6)	9.0	(36.0)	5.4	(1.8)	9.0	(18.0)	9.0	(18.0)	143.1	(88.2)
cucumbers	0.2	(0.6)	39.0	(52.0)	7.8	(2.6)	13.0	(26.0)	13.0	(26.0)	204.1	(611.0)
tea	0.1	(0.6)	12.0	(24.0)	9.6	(2.4)	0.0	(0.0)	18.0	(12.0)	33.6	(19.2)
spinach	-0.3	(0.6)	54.0	(72.0)	20.7	(3.6)	-9.0	(0.0)	0.0	(0.0)	72.0	(28.8)
Mean	0.0	(0.4)	24.6	(41.4)	10.1	(12.2)	-2.8	(32.0)	8.0	(15.9)	76.2	(211.3)
<b>Pueblo of San Ildefonso:</b>												
squash	-0.1	(0.6)	44.0	(44.0)	16.5	(4.4)	11.0	(22.0)	11.0	(22.0)	5.5	(17.6)
tea	0.0	(0.6)	150.0	(36.0) <sup>f</sup>	25.8	(4.8)	18.0	(1.2)	144.0	(36.0) <sup>f</sup>	28.2	(84.0)
spinach	0.1	(0.6)	30.0	(40.0)	19.0	(4.0)	0.0	(0.0)	0.0	(0.0)	-3.0	(48.0)
tomatoes	0.1	(0.6)	18.0	(36.0)	5.4	(1.8)	0.0	(0.0)	9.0	(18.0)	36.0	(106.2)
cucumbers	0.3	(0.6)	72.0	(48.0)	25.2	(4.8)	0.0	(0.0)	12.0	(24.0)	19.2	(60.0)
Mean	0.1	(0.3)	62.8	(105.5)	18.4	(16.6)	5.8	(16.6)	35.2	(122.0)	17.2	(32.0)
<b>On-Site Stations</b>												
<b>LANL:</b>												
tomatoes	0.6	(0.6)	28.0	(14.0)	2.8	(0.6)	0.0	(14.0)	14.0	(14.0)	22.4	(67.2)
nectarines	0.6	(0.6)	10.0	(20.0)	1.0	(0.2)	10.0	(20.0)	160.0	(20.0) <sup>f</sup>	-2.0	(48.0)
tea	9.7	(1.8)	216.0	(32.0) <sup>f</sup>	68.8	(14.4) <sup>f</sup>	0.0	(16.0)	88.0	(32.0) <sup>f</sup>	-0.8	(38.4)
apples	0.2	(0.6)	32.0	(8.0)	3.6	(0.8)	0.0	(8.0)	0.0	(8.0)	-4.4	(19.2)
apples	0.8	(0.6)	24.0	(8.0)	2.0	(0.8)	28.0	(8.0)	4.0	(8.0)	1.6	(4.8)
Mean	2.4	(8.2) <sup>g</sup>	62.0	(173.0)	15.6	(59.5)	7.6	(24.4)	53.2	(139.3)	3.4	(21.7)

<sup>a</sup>There are no concentration guides for produce; however, all mean radionuclide contents in produce collected from LANL, with the exception of <sup>3</sup>H, and perimeter areas were not significantly higher from regional background using a nonparametric Wilcoxon Rank Sum test at the 0.05 probability level (Gilbert 1987).

<sup>b</sup>(±2 counting uncertainty); values are the uncertainty in the analytical results at the 95% confidence level.

<sup>c</sup>(±2 standard deviation).

<sup>d</sup>Regional Statistical Reference Level; this is the upper-limit background concentration [mean + 2 std dev] from 1981 to 1994 data.

<sup>e</sup>See Appendix B for an explanation of the presence of negative values.

<sup>f</sup>Detectable value (where the analytical result was greater than two counting uncertainties) and higher than the RSRL.

## 6. Soil, Foodstuffs, and Biological Resources

**Table 6-5. Total Committed Effective Dose Equivalent from the Ingestion of Produce Collected during 1994 and 1995**

Background Location	Committed Effective Dose Equivalent <sup>a</sup> (mrem/yr)	
	1994	1995
<b>Española, Santa Fe, Jemez:</b>		
# of Produce Samples	10	6
Average Consumption <sup>b</sup>	<sup>c</sup>	0.141 (± 0.318) <sup>d</sup>
Maximum Consumption <sup>b</sup>	0.149 (± 0.365) <sup>d</sup>	0.383 (± 0.863) <sup>d</sup>
<b>Off-Site</b>		
<b>Cochiti Pueblo:</b>		
# of Produce Samples	6	5
Average Consumption <sup>b</sup>	<sup>c</sup>	0.075 (± 0.166) <sup>d</sup>
Maximum Consumption <sup>b</sup>	0.091 (± 0.169) <sup>d</sup>	0.204 (± 0.450) <sup>d</sup>
<b>White Rock:</b>		
# of Produce Samples	7	5
Average Consumption <sup>b</sup>	<sup>c</sup>	0.029 (± 0.067) <sup>d</sup>
Maximum Consumption <sup>b</sup>	0.061 (± 0.116) <sup>d</sup>	0.078 (± 0.181) <sup>d</sup>
<b>Los Alamos Townsite:</b>		
# of Produce Samples	4	6
Average Consumption <sup>b</sup>	<sup>c</sup>	0.046 (± 0.106) <sup>d</sup>
Maximum Consumption <sup>b</sup>	0.147 (± 0.228) <sup>d</sup>	0.124 (± 0.228) <sup>d</sup>
<b>Pueblo of San Ildefonso:</b>		
# of Produce Samples	5	5
Average Consumption <sup>b</sup>	<sup>c</sup>	0.115 (± 0.200) <sup>d</sup>
Maximum Consumption <sup>b</sup>	0.117 (± 0.300) <sup>d</sup>	0.313 (± 0.541) <sup>d</sup>
<b>On-Site<sup>e</sup></b>		
# of Produce Samples	10	5
Average Consumption <sup>b</sup>	<sup>c</sup>	0.198 (± 0.601) <sup>d</sup>
Maximum Consumption <sup>b</sup>	0.057 (± 0.260) <sup>d</sup>	0.537 (± 1.630) <sup>d</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Based on DOE dose conversion factors (DOE 1988).

<sup>b</sup>See Table 3-1 for consumption rates.

<sup>c</sup>Calculations for the average consumption rate was not performed for 1994.

<sup>d</sup>±2 sigma of the data in parenthesis; to convert to μSv multiply by 10.

<sup>e</sup>Calculations presented here are for comparison purposes only. Produce grown on site is not available for consumption.



Table 6-6. Total Recoverable Trace and Heavy Metals ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{dry g}$ ) in Produce Collected in 1995<sup>a</sup>

	Ag	As	Ba	Be	Cd	Cr	Hg	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Tl
<b>Off-Site Regional (Background) Stations</b>												
<b>Española/Santa Fe/Jemez:</b>												
apples	2.00	<0.50 <sup>b</sup>	2.00	<1.00	0.09	<1.30	<0.06	7.10	6.00	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
tomatoes	<0.10	<0.50	3.30	<0.82	0.13	<1.10	<0.06	4.00	1.00	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
cucumbers	<0.10	<0.50	7.70	<0.90	<0.05	<1.20	<0.06	<3.00	<0.10	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
squash	<0.10	<0.50	9.90	<0.90	<0.05	<1.20	<0.06	<3.00	<0.10	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
tea	<0.10	<0.50	21.00	<0.83	0.13	<1.10	<0.06	<2.80	0.20	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
spinach	<0.10	<0.50	29.00	<0.90	<0.05	<1.20	<0.06	<3.00	0.20	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
Mean	<0.42	<0.50	12.15	<0.89	<0.083	<1.18	<0.06	<3.82	<1.27	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
( $\pm 2\text{SD}$ )	(1.55)	(0.00)	(21.33)	(0.13)	(0.080)	(0.15)	(0.00)	(3.33)	(4.69)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)
RSRL <sup>c</sup>	1.97	0.50	33.48	1.23	0.75	3.40	0.08	7.15	9.04	0.26	0.46	0.10
<b>Off-Site Perimeter Stations</b>												
<b>Los Alamos:</b>												
tomatoes	<0.10	<0.50	2.40	<0.74	0.06	2.00	<0.06	<2.50	0.40	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
squash	0.50	<0.50	13.00	<0.74	0.06	1.80	<0.06	2.80	0.60	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
tomatoes	<0.10	<0.50	2.40	<0.75	0.07	1.30	<0.06	<2.50	0.80	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
apples	<0.10	<0.50	1.40	<0.75	<0.05	1.00	<0.06	<2.50	<0.10	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
peaches	<0.10	<0.50	1.80	<0.75	<0.05	<1.00	<0.06	4.00	0.70	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
squash	<0.10	0.50	7.50	<0.75	<0.05	<1.00	<0.06	<2.50	0.50	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
Mean	<0.17	<0.50	4.75	<0.75	<0.06	<1.35	<0.06	<2.80	<0.52	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
( $\pm 2\text{SD}$ )	(0.33)	(0.00)	(9.23)	(0.01)	(0.02)	(0.89)	(0.00)	(1.20)	(0.50)	(0.00)	(0.01)	(0.01)
<b>White Rock /Pajrito Acres:</b>												
squash	<0.10	<0.50	6.70	<0.75	<0.05	2.20	<0.06	<2.50	0.40	0.60 <sup>d</sup>	<0.30	<0.10
tomatoes	<0.10	<0.50	3.70	<0.75	0.08	2.30	<0.06	<2.50	0.20	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
tea	<0.10	<0.50	28.00	<0.75	0.11	1.20	<0.06	<2.50	0.10	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
squash	<0.10	<0.50	9.10	<0.74	<0.05	2.40	<0.06	<2.50	1.00	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
cucumbers	<0.10	<0.50	10.00	<0.75	<0.06	2.20	<0.06	4.00	0.30	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
Mean	<0.10	<0.50	11.50	<0.75	<0.07	2.06 <sup>d</sup>	<0.06	<2.80	0.40	<0.20	<0.30	<0.10
( $\pm 2\text{SD}$ )	(0.00)	(0.00)	(19.80)	(0.00)	(0.05)	(0.98)	(0.00)	(1.34)	(0.71)	(0.45)	(0.00)	(0.00)

**Table 6-6. Total Recoverable Trace and Heavy Metals ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{dry g}$ ) in Produce Collected in 1995<sup>a</sup> (Cont.)**

	Ag	As	Ba	Be	Cd	Cr	Hg	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Tl
<b>Cochiti/Pena Blanca/Santo Domingo:</b>												
squash	2.00	<0.50	3.10	<0.75	<0.05	1.40	<0.06	<2.50	0.60	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
tomatoes	23.00 <sup>e</sup>	<0.50	5.60	0.75	0.95 <sup>e</sup>	2.00	<0.06	2.80	0.60	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
cucumbers	0.10	<0.50	5.20	<0.75	0.12	1.80	<0.06	<2.50	0.20	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
tea	0.10	<0.50	30.00	<0.75	0.24	<1.00	<0.06	<2.50	0.20	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
spinach	<0.10	<0.50	18.00	<0.75	0.54	<1.00	<0.06	<2.50	0.20	<0.10	0.60 <sup>e</sup>	<0.10
Mean	5.06 <sup>d</sup>	<0.50	12.38	<0.75	<0.38	<1.44	<0.06	<2.56	0.36	<0.10	<0.36	<0.10
( $\pm 2\text{SD}$ )	(20.12)	(0.00)	(22.93)	(0.00)	(0.74)	(0.91)	(0.00)	(0.27)	(0.44)	(0.00)	(0.27)	(0.00)
<b>Pueblo of San Ildefonso:</b>												
squash	<0.10	0.50	11.00	<0.75	<0.05	2.40	<0.06	2.80	0.10	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
tea	<0.10	<0.50	28.00	<0.75	0.12	1.30	<0.06	<2.50	0.20	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
spinach	<0.10	<0.50	16.00	<0.75	0.49	1.40	<0.06	<6.25	0.50	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
tomatoes	<0.10	<0.50	3.80	<0.74	0.10	2.10	<0.06	<2.50	0.20	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
cucumbers	<0.10	<0.50	10.00	<0.82	0.09	<1.10	<0.06	<2.70	9.00	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
Mean	<0.10	<0.50	13.76	<0.76	<0.17	<1.66	<0.06	<3.35	2.00	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
( $\pm 2\text{SD}$ )	(0.00)	(0.00)	(18.13)	(0.07)	(0.36)	(1.12)	(0.00)	(3.25)	(7.83)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)
<b>On-Site Stations</b>												
<b>LANL:</b>												
tomatoes	<0.10	<0.50	5.70	<0.83	0.11	1.60	<0.06	<2.80	1.00	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
nectarine	<0.10	<0.50	2.60	<0.82	0.08	<1.10	<0.06	4.00	2.00	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
tea	<0.10	<0.50	49.00 <sup>e</sup>	<0.90	0.08	<1.20	<0.06	<3.00	0.20	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
apples	<0.10	<0.50	12.00	<0.89	0.06	1.50	<0.06	<3.00	0.20	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
apples	<0.10	<0.50	15.00	<0.75	<0.05	<1.00	<0.06	<2.50	6.00	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
Mean	<0.10	<0.50	16.86	<0.84	<0.08	<1.28	<0.06	<3.06	1.88	<0.10	<0.30	<0.10
( $\pm 2\text{SD}$ )	(0.00)	(0.00)	(37.26)	(0.12)	(0.05)	(0.52)	(0.00)	(1.13)	(4.84)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)

<sup>a</sup>Analysis by EPA Method 3051 for total recoverable metals.<sup>b</sup>The less than symbol (<) means the analysis was below the specified detection limit of the analytical method and/or sample.<sup>c</sup>Regional Statistical Reference Level; this is the upper limit background concentration (mean + 2 std dev) from 1994 and/or 1995 data.<sup>d</sup>Statistically significant mean from background mean using a Wilcoxon Rank Sum Test at the 0.05 probability level.<sup>e</sup>Concentrations that were higher than the RSRL.

Table 6-7. Radionuclides in Honey Collected from Regional and Perimeter Beehives during 1995

	<sup>3</sup> H (pCi/mL) <sup>a</sup>		<sup>90</sup> Sr (pCi/L)		<sup>238</sup> Pu (pCi/L)		<sup>239</sup> Pu (pCi/L)		<sup>137</sup> Cs (pCi/L)		Uranium (ug/L)		<sup>241</sup> Am (pCi/L)	
Off-Site Regional (Background) Stations:														
San Pedro	0.10	(0.60) <sup>d</sup>	−1.10 <sup>bc</sup>	(1.74)	0.014 <sup>c</sup>	(0.038)	0.008 <sup>c</sup>	(0.047)	9.6	(24.8)	1.44 <sup>c</sup>	(2.22)	c	
RSRL <sup>e</sup>	21.22		6.00		0.121		0.103		327.47		6.46			
Off-Site Perimeter Stations:														
Los Alamos	0.00	(0.60)	0.60	(3.80)	0.000	(0.012)	0.007	(0.018)	5.3	(15.8)	0.00	(0.44)	0.089	(0.042)
White Rock/Pajarito Acres	−0.20	(0.60)	3.60	(5.40)	0.025	(0.024)	0.080	(0.040)	11.0	(34.0)	4.09	(0.86)	0.120	(0.060)

<sup>a</sup>pCi/mL of honey moisture; honey contains approximately 18% water and has a density of 1,860 g/L.

<sup>b</sup>See Appendix B for an explanation of the presence of negative values.

<sup>c</sup>Lost in analysis; data if available, was from 1994 (EPG 1995).

<sup>d</sup>(±2 counting uncertainty); values are the uncertainty in the analytical results at the 95% confidence level.

<sup>e</sup>Regional Statistical Reference Level; this is the upper-limit background concentration (mean + 2 std dev) from Fresquez 1994b.

<sup>f</sup>Detectable value (where the analytical result was higher than two counting uncertainties) and higher than the RSRL.

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**Table 6-8. Total Committed Effective Dose Equivalent from the Ingestion of Honey Collected during 1994 and 1995**

Background	Committed Effective Dose Equivalent <sup>a</sup> (mrem/yr)	
	1994 <sup>b</sup>	1995 <sup>b</sup>
<b>San Pedro:</b>		
# of Honey Samples	1	1
Average Consumption <sup>c</sup>	<sup>c</sup>	0.0006 (± 0.003) <sup>d</sup>
Maximum Consumption <sup>c</sup>	0.001 (± 0.010) <sup>d</sup>	0.002 (± 0.012) <sup>d</sup>
<b>Perimeter</b>		
<b>White Rock:</b>		
# of Honey Samples	1	1
Average Consumption <sup>c</sup>		0.002 (± 0.005) <sup>d</sup>
Maximum Consumption <sup>c</sup>	0.008 (± 0.015) <sup>d</sup>	0.007 (± 0.017) <sup>d</sup>
<b>Los Alamos:</b>		
# of Honey Samples	1	1
Average Consumption		0.0006 (± 0.003) <sup>d</sup>
Maximum Consumption <sup>c</sup>	0.015 (± 0.013) <sup>d</sup>	0.002 (± 0.009) <sup>d</sup>

\*Calculations for the average consumption was not performed in 1994.

<sup>a</sup>Based on DOE dose conversion factors (DOE 1988).

<sup>b</sup>Analysis for <sup>241</sup>Am was not requested in 1994, but was requested in 1995.

<sup>c</sup>See Table 3-1 for consumption rates.

<sup>d</sup>±2 counting uncertainties in parenthesis; to convert to µSv multiply by 10.

**Table 6-9. Radionuclide Concentrations in Eggs Collected in 1995**

Radionuclide	Pueblo of San Ildefonso, NM <sup>a</sup>		Albuquerque, NM (Background)		RSRL <sup>b</sup>
<sup>238</sup> Pu (pCi/L) <sup>c</sup>	-0.008	(0.008) <sup>d</sup>	0.004	(0.006)	0.010
<sup>239</sup> Pu (pCi/L)	-0.002	(0.008)	-0.002	(0.004)	0.002
<sup>90</sup> Sr (pCi/L)	0.500	(1.800)	-0.100	(1.400)	1.300
Total U (ug/L)	0.030	(0.020)	0.040	(0.020)	0.060
Tritium (pCi/mL)	0.000	(0.600)	-0.200	(0.600)	0.400
<sup>137</sup> Cs (pCi/L)	23.000	(18.000)	-3.400	(36.000)	32.600

<sup>a</sup>Presently, the closest free ranging chicken/egg producing area to LANL.

<sup>b</sup>Regional Statistical Reference Level; this is the upper limit background concentration (mean + 2 counting uncertainties) based on the current year's data.

<sup>c</sup>One liter (1L) is equal to approximately two dozen eggs (24 eggs) and the density of eggs is around 1,135 g/L.

<sup>d</sup>(±2 counting uncertainties); values are the uncertainty in the analytical results at the 95% confidence level.

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**Table 6-10. Total Committed Effective Dose Equivalent from the Ingestion of Eggs Collected during 1995**

	Committed Effective Dose Equivalent (mrem/yr) <sup>a</sup>	
	Pueblo of San Ildefonso	Regional Background
# Egg Samples	1	1
Average Consumption <sup>b</sup>	0.013 (± 0.013) <sup>c</sup>	0.0003 (± 0.024) <sup>c</sup>
Maximum Consumption <sup>b</sup>	0.021 (± 0.020) <sup>c</sup>	0.0004 (± 0.038) <sup>c</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Based on DOE dose conversion factors (DOE 1988).

<sup>b</sup>See Table 3-1 for consumption rates.

<sup>c</sup>±2 counting uncertainties in parenthesis; to convert to µSv multiply by 10.

**Table 6-11. Radionuclide Concentrations in Milk Collected in 1995**

Radionuclide	Pojoaque Valley, NM				Albuquerque, NM (Background)				RSRL <sup>a</sup>
	June		September		June		September		
<sup>238</sup> Pu (pCi/L)	-0.005	(0.006) <sup>b</sup>	0.003	(0.012)	-0.014	(0.006)	0.002	(0.010)	0.013
<sup>239</sup> Pu (pCi/L)	0.003	(0.006)	-0.006	(0.010)	-0.006	(0.004)	-0.005	(0.004)	0.001
<sup>90</sup> Sr (pCi/L)	2.600	(5.400)	4.700	(8.200)	5.900	(4.400)	3.000	(8.400)	8.870
Total U (µg/L)	0.140	(0.040)	0.190	(0.040)	0.290	(0.080)	0.050	(0.040)	0.400
<sup>3</sup> H (pCi/mL)	-0.100	(0.600)	-0.200	(1.200)	-0.200	(0.600)	0.000	(1.200)	0.098
<sup>137</sup> Cs (pCi/L)	5.600	(16.800)	-5.000	(36.000)	14.030	(10.920)	6.000	(18.000)	19.379
<sup>131</sup> I (pCi/L)	10.000	(30.000)	3.800	(11.400)	11.000	(33.000)	9.400	(28.200)	11.750

<sup>a</sup>Regional Statistical Reference Level; this is the upper limit background (mean + 2 std dev) from 1994 and 1995 data.

<sup>b</sup>(±2 counting uncertainties); values are the uncertainty in the analytical results at the 95% confidence level.

**Table 6-12. Total Committed Effective Dose Equivalent from the Ingestion of Milk for 1994 and 1995**

	Committed Effective Dose Equivalent (mrem) <sup>a</sup>			
	Dairy in Pojoaque Valley, NM		Dairy in Albuquerque, NM	
	1994	1995	1994	1995
Number of Milk Samples	1	2	1	2
Average Consumption <sup>b</sup>	<sup>c</sup>	0.102 (± 0.198) <sup>d</sup>	<sup>c</sup>	0.191 (± 0.159) <sup>d</sup>
Maximum Consumption <sup>b</sup>	0.135 (± 0.490) <sup>e</sup>	0.256 (± 0.495) <sup>d</sup>	0.195 (± 0.546) <sup>e</sup>	0.478 (± 0.397) <sup>d</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Based on DOE dose conversion factors (DOE 1988).

<sup>b</sup>See Table 3-1 for consumption rates.

<sup>c</sup>CEDE calculations based on the average consumption rate were not calculated for 1994.

<sup>d</sup>±2 sigma of the data in parentheses; to convert to microSv multiply by 10.

<sup>e</sup>±2 counting uncertainties in parentheses.

**Table 6-13. Radionuclide Concentrations in Game (Surface-Feeding) and Nongame (Bottom-Feeding) Fish Upstream and Downstream of Los Alamos National Laboratory during 1995**

	<sup>3</sup> H		<sup>90</sup> Sr		<sup>137</sup> Cs		Total Uranium		<sup>238</sup> Pu		<sup>239</sup> Pu	
	pCi/mL <sup>a</sup>		10 <sup>-2</sup> pCi/dry g		10 <sup>-2</sup> pCi/dry g		ng/dry g		10 <sup>-5</sup> pCi/dry g		10 <sup>-5</sup> pCi/dry g	
Game Fish/Surface Feeders												
Upstream (Abiquiu, Heron, and El Vado):												
crappie	-0.1	(0.6) <sup>b,c</sup>	8.5	(6.8)	0.34	(10.20)	3.4	(0.68)	0.0	(00.0)	0.0	(0.0)
crappie	-0.1	(0.6)	4.2	(5.6)	1.96	(1.12)	0.7	(0.28)	0.0	(00.0)	0.0	(0.0)
walleye	0.2	(0.6)	1.4	(8.4)	1.68	(1.40)	1.4	(0.28)	0.0	(00.0)	0.0	(0.0)
walleye/bass	-0.1	(0.6)	16.8	(7.2)	1.56	(1.20)	1.2	(0.24)	12.0	(24.0)	0.0	(0.0)
walleye/trout	-0.1	(0.6)	1.1	(4.4)	1.98	(1.32)	0.8	(0.22)	0.0	(00.0)	0.0	(0.0)
Mean	-0.0	(0.3) <sup>d</sup>	6.4	(13.1)	1.50	(1.35)	1.5	(2.20)	2.4	(10.7)	0.0	(0.0)
RSRL <sup>e</sup>	0.2		17.0		27.70		6.5		23.6		28.3	
Downstream (Cochiti):												
crappie	-0.1	(0.6)	5.1	(6.8)	0.51	(1.36)	5.1	(1.02)	0.0	(00.0)	0.0	(0.0)
pike	0.3	(0.6)	0.0	(3.6)	0.72	(2.16)	1.8	(0.36)	0.0	(00.0)	0.0	(0.0)
pike	0.3	(0.6)	9.1	(33.8)	0.91	(2.60)	3.9	(0.78)	0.0	(00.0)	0.0	(0.0)
walleye/bass	0.0	(0.6)	7.5	(6.0)	0.45	(1.50)	3.0	(0.60)	-15.0	(30.0)	0.0	(0.0)
Mean	-0.1	(0.4)	5.4	(7.9)	0.65	(0.42)	3.5	(2.79) <sup>f</sup>	0.0	(00.0)	0.0	(0.0)
Nongame Fish/Bottom Feeders												
Upstream (Abiquiu, Heron, and El Vado):												
carp	-0.1	(0.6)	1.8	(5.4)	0.90	(2.88)	11.7	(1.80)	0.0	(0.0)	0.0	(0.0)
carp	0.3	(0.6)	8.0	(4.0)	1.40	(0.80)	15.0	(4.00)	10.0	(20.0)	0.0	(0.0)
carp	-0.2	(0.6)	7.2	(7.2)	0.96	(0.96)	15.6	(4.80)	0.0	(0.0)	0.0	(0.0)
sucker	0.1	(0.6)	6.6	(6.6)	1.10	(0.88)	4.4	(0.88)	11.0	(22.0)	0.0	(0.0)
sucker	-0.2	(0.6)	1.2	(7.2)	3.48	(2.64)	4.8	(0.96)	0.0	(0.0)	0.0	(0.0)
Mean	-0.0	(0.4)	5.0	(6.4)	1.57	(2.17)	10.3	(10.83)	4.2	(11.5)	0.0	(0.0)
RSRL <sup>e</sup>	0.2		13.2		26.90		16.2		9.8		19.2	

**Table 6-13. Radionuclide Concentrations in Game (Surface-Feeding) and Nongame (Bottom-Feeding) Fish Upstream and Downstream of Los Alamos National Laboratory during 1995 (Cont.)**

	<sup>3</sup> H pCi/mL <sup>a</sup>	<sup>90</sup> Sr 10 <sup>-2</sup> pCi/dry g	<sup>137</sup> Cs 10 <sup>-2</sup> pCi/dry g	Total Uranium ng/dry g	<sup>238</sup> Pu 10 <sup>-5</sup> pCi/dry g	<sup>239</sup> Pu 10 <sup>-5</sup> pCi/dry g
<b>Downstream (Cochiti):</b>						
carp	0.1 (0.6)	5.8 (9.2)	1.38 (3.92)	16.1 (2.30)	0.0 (0.0)	0.0 (0.0)
carp	-0.4 (0.6)	4.7 (3.7)	-0.19 (1.86)	11.2 (1.86)	0.0 (0.0)	0.0 (0.0)
carp sucker	-0.1 (0.6)	4.6 (3.7)	0.55 (1.46)	3.7 (1.84)	9.2 (18.4)	0.0 (0.0)
carp sucker	-0.1 (0.6)	1.9 (5.8)	0.10 (4.60)	3.8 (0.77)	9.6 (19.2)	0.0 (0.0)
catfish	0.0 (0.6)	3.7 (3.7)	0.83 (2.58)	13.8 (3.68)	0.0 (0.0)	0.0 (0.0)
catfish	0.2 (0.6)	1.3 (3.9)	0.39 (1.04)	5.9 (1.30)	0.0 (0.0)	0.0 (0.0)
catfish	0.0 (0.6)	0.0 (3.5)	0.23 (0.70)	4.1 (1.16)	0.0 (0.0)	0.0 (0.0)
sucker	-0.1 (0.6)	-1.3 (5.2)	1.43 (4.16)	9.1 (2.60)	0.0 (0.0)	0.0 (0.0)
sucker	0.0 (0.6)	16.8 (4.8) <sup>g</sup>	0.12 (5.67)	7.2 (2.40)	-12.0 (24.0)	0.0 (0.0)
Mean	-0.0 (0.3)	4.2 (10.6)	0.54 (1.14)	8.3 (9.11)	0.8 (12.6)	0.0 (0.0)

<sup>a</sup>mL of tissue moisture.<sup>b</sup>See Appendix B for an explanation of the presence of negative values.<sup>c</sup>(±2 counting uncertainty); values are the uncertainty in the analytical results at the 95% confidence level.<sup>d</sup>(±2 standard deviation).<sup>e</sup>Regional Statistical Reference Level; this is the upper-limit background concentration (mean + 2 std dev) from Fresquez (1994c).<sup>f</sup>Statistically significant mean from background mean using a Wilcoxon Rank Sum Test at the 0.05 probability level.<sup>g</sup>Detectable value (where the analytical result was higher than two times the counting uncertainty) and higher than the RSRL.

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**Table 6-14. Total Committed Effective Dose Equivalent from the Ingestion of Fish from Cochiti and Upstream of the Laboratory for 1994 and 1995**

	Committed Effective Dose Equivalent (mrem/yr) <sup>a</sup>			
	Upstream (Abiquiu, Heron, El Vado)		Cochiti Reservoir	
	1994 <sup>b</sup>	1995 <sup>c</sup>	1994 <sup>b</sup>	1995 <sup>c</sup>
<b>Bottom Feeders:</b>				
# Fish Samples	10	5	9	9
Average Consumption <sup>d</sup>	<sup>e</sup>	0.015 (± 0.019) <sup>f</sup>	<sup>e</sup>	0.012 (± 0.027) <sup>f</sup>
Maximum Consumption <sup>d</sup>	0.068 (± 0.085) <sup>f</sup>	0.056 (± 0.071) <sup>f</sup>	0.038 (± 0.074) <sup>f</sup>	0.043 (± 0.099) <sup>g</sup>
<b>Surface Feeders:</b>				
# Fish Samples	10	5	6	4
Average Consumption <sup>d</sup>	<sup>e</sup>	0.014 (± 0.027) <sup>f</sup>	<sup>e</sup>	0.012 (± 0.017) <sup>f</sup>
Maximum Consumption <sup>d</sup>	0.059 (± 0.084) <sup>f</sup>	0.051 (± 0.099) <sup>f</sup>	0.072 (± 0.077) <sup>f</sup>	0.043 (± 0.063) <sup>f</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Based on DOE dose conversion factors (DOE 1988).

<sup>b</sup>Tritium analyses not performed in 1994.

<sup>c</sup>Includes results from tritium analyses.

<sup>d</sup>See Table 3-1 for consumption rates.

<sup>e</sup>Calculations for the average consumption rate was not performed for 1994.

<sup>f</sup>±2 sigma of the data in parenthesis; to convert to µSv multiply by 10.

**Table 6-15. Total Recoverable Trace and Heavy Metals in Bottom-Feeding Fish (µg/wet g) Collected in 1995**

Element	Abiquiu/Heron/El Vado Reservoirs (Background)		Cochiti Reservoir		RSRL <sup>c</sup>
	Mean <sup>a,b</sup>	(±2 std dev)	Mean	(±2 std dev)	
Ag	<1.000	(0.000)	<1.000	(0.000)	2.59
As	<0.200	(0.000)	<0.200	(0.000)	0.69
Ba	<0.140	(0.000)	<0.140	(0.000)	2.93
Be	<0.080	(0.000)	<0.080	(0.000)	2.96
Cd	<0.400	(0.000)	<0.400	(0.000)	0.64
Cr	<0.500	(0.000)	<0.500	(0.000)	1.09
Hg	0.340	(0.522)	0.120	(0.089)	0.39
Ni	<2.000	(0.000)	<2.000	(0.000)	2.83
Pb	<0.670	(0.055)	<0.476	(0.284)	4.49
Sb	<0.670	(0.055)	<0.492	(0.256)	0.67
Se	0.220	(0.167)	0.180	(0.167)	0.65
Tl	<0.670	(0.054)	<0.476	(0.284)	0.67

<sup>a</sup>The average of five bottom-feeding fish (mostly catfish, suckers and carp) each from Cochiti, Abiquiu, Heron, and El Vado Reservoirs.

<sup>b</sup>There were no significant differences in Hg and Se in fish collected from Cochiti Reservoir as compared to fish collected from Abiquiu/Heron/El Vado reservoirs using a Wilcoxon Rank Sum test at the 0.05 probability level.

<sup>c</sup>Regional Statistical Reference Level; this is the upper limit background concentration (mean + 2 std dev) from 1991, 1994 and 1995 data.



**Table 6-16. Radionuclide Concentrations in Muscle and Bone Tissues of Elk Collected from On-Site (LANL) Areas during 1994/1995**

Sample/Location/Date	<sup>3</sup> H pCi/mL <sup>a</sup>		Total U (ng/dry g)		<sup>137</sup> Cs (10 <sup>-3</sup> pCi/dry g)		<sup>90</sup> Sr (10 <sup>-3</sup> pCi/dry g)		<sup>238</sup> Pu (10 <sup>-5</sup> pCi/dry g)		<sup>239</sup> Pu (10 <sup>-5</sup> pCi/dry g)	
Leg Bone:												
Cow Elk (TA-46/Pajarito Road/11-14-94)	0.7	(0.8) <sup>b</sup>	6.45	(1.72) <sup>c</sup>	12.90	(8.60)	1,634.00	(172.00)	129.00	(86.00) <sup>c</sup>	-43.00	(86.00)
Cow Elk (TA-49/State Road 4/12-13-94)	3.1	(0.8) <sup>c</sup>	186.90	(170.00) <sup>c</sup>	0.00	(256.32)	2,189.00	(320.40)	427.00	(320.00) <sup>c</sup>	-106.80	(106.80)
Bull Elk (TA-16/S-Site Road/1-30-95)	0.3	(0.8)	4.16	(1.04)	15.60	(41.60)	1,404.00	(208.00)	208.00	(104.00) <sup>c</sup>	-52.00	(104.00)
Bull Elk (TA-16/S-Site Road/6-21-95)	12.5	(2.2) <sup>c</sup>	1.48	(0.50)	9.90	(29.58)	1,429.70	(197.20)	0.00	(295.80)	49.30	(295.80)
Elk (background) Mean (±2 std dev) <sup>d</sup>	0.0	(0.6)	1.90	(3.60)	73.50	(237.80)	1,833.70	(2,074.20)	18.30	(63.60)	21.30	(74.00)
RSRL <sup>e</sup>	0.6		5.50		311.30		3,907.90		81.90		95.30	
Muscle:												
Cow Elk (TA-46/Pajarito Road/11-14-94)	0.1	(0.8)	2.10	(0.84)	40.30	(120.96)	12.60	(25.20)	-4.20	(25.20)	25.20	(33.60)
Cow Elk (TA-49/State Road 4/12-13-94)	4.7	(1.0) <sup>c</sup>	0.21	(0.17)	11.30	(12.60)	4.20	(16.80)	-11.76	(26.00)	0.00	(26.00)
Bull Elk (TA-16/S-Site Road/1-30-95)	0.5	(0.8)	0.10	(0.20)	-5.88	(23.52)	4.90	(19.60)	0.00	(9.80)	0.00	(9.80)
Bull Elk (TA-16/S-SiteRoad/6-21-95)	11.1	(2.0) <sup>c</sup>	0.92	(0.18)	25.30	(17.40)	9.20	(18.40)	9.20	(27.60)	4.60	(27.60)
Elk (background) Mean (±2 std dev)	0.1	(0.6)	0.80	(2.60)	209.40	(416.80)	0.00	(0.00)	0.00	(0.00)	0.00	(0.00)
RSRL	0.7		3.40		626.20		0.00		0.00		0.00	

<sup>a</sup>pCi/mL of tissue moisture; the average dry/wet ratio for elk bone and muscle was 0.58 and 0.24, respectively.<sup>b</sup>(±2 counting uncertainty); values are the uncertainty in the analytical results at the 95% confidence level.<sup>c</sup>Detectable value (where the analytical result was greater than two times the counting uncertainty) and higher than the RSRL.<sup>d</sup>Data from Fresquez 1994a.<sup>e</sup>Regional Statistical Reference Level; this is the upper limit background concentration (mean + 2 std dev) from Fresquez 1994a.

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**Table 6-17. Total Committed Effective Dose Equivalent from the Ingestion of Elk Muscle and Bone for 1993–1995**

	Committed Effective Dose Equivalent (mrem/yr) <sup>a</sup>		
	On Site		Off Site <sup>b</sup>
	1993 <sup>c</sup>	1994/1995 <sup>b</sup>	1993 <sup>c</sup>
<b># Elk Collected</b>	3	4	3
<b>Muscle:</b>			
Average Consumption Rate <sup>d</sup>	0.019 (± 0.030) <sup>e</sup>	0.007 (± 0.013) <sup>e</sup>	0.028 (± 0.057) <sup>e</sup>
Maximum Consumption Rate <sup>d</sup>	0.045 (± 0.071) <sup>e</sup>	0.017 (± 0.031) <sup>e</sup>	0.068 (± 0.136) <sup>e</sup>
<b>Bone:</b>			
Average Consumption Rate <sup>d</sup>	0.232 (± 0.181) <sup>e</sup>	0.360 (± 0.227) <sup>e</sup>	0.354 (± 0.417) <sup>e</sup>
Maximum Consumption Rate <sup>d</sup>	0.555 (± 0.433) <sup>e</sup>	0.820 (± 0.518) <sup>e</sup>	0.806 (± 0.951) <sup>e</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Based on DOE dose conversion factors (DOE 1988).

<sup>b</sup>Includes tritium analyses.

<sup>c</sup>For 1993, the dose calculations were based on the total consumption of a 233 kg elk. Values shown here are calculated using the current intake rates and the 1993 analytical data. Tritium analyses were not requested in 1993 (Fresquez 1994a).

<sup>d</sup>See Table 3-1 for consumption rates.

<sup>e</sup>±2 sigma of the data in parenthesis; to convert to μSv multiply by 10.

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**Table 6-18. Terrestrial Insects found on Los Alamos National Laboratory Property as of December 1995**

Order	Family	Common Name
Thysanura (Bristletails)	Lepismatidae	Silverfish
	Machilidae	Jumping bristletail
Collembola (Springtails)	Sminthuridae	Globular springtail
	Entomobryidae	Slender springtail
	Isotomidae	Smooth springtail
	Hypogastruridae	Elongate-Bodied springtail
Odonata (Dragon and damselflies)	Aeshnidae	Darner
	Libellulidae	Common skimmer
	Coenagrionidae	Narrow-winged damselfly
	Gomphidae	Clubtail
Phasmida (Walkingsticks)	Heteronemiidae	Common walkingstick
Orthoptera (Grasshoppers and crickets)	Acrididae	Short-horned grasshopper
	Gryllacrididae	Camel cricket
	Gryllidae	True cricket
Plecoptera (Stoneflies)	Perlidae	Common stonefly
Dermaptera (Earwigs)	Forficulidae	Common earwig
Thysanoptera (Thrips)	Thripidae	Common thrip
Hemiptera (True bugs)	Belostomatidae	Giant water bug
	Miridae	Plant bug
	Reduviidae	Assassin bug
	Phymatidae	Ambush bug
	Lygaeidae	Seed bug
	Cydnidae	Burrower bug
	Scutelleridae	Shield-backed bug
	Pentatomidae	Stink bug
	Anthocoridae	Minute pirate bug
	Coreidae	Squash bug
	Nabidae	Damsel bug
Homoptera (Cicadas and kin)	Cicadidae	Cicada
	Aphididae	Aphids
	Cercopidae	Spittlebugs
	Cicadellidae	Leafhoppers
	Coccidae	Soft Scales
	Delphacidae	Planthoppers
	Eriosomatidae	Gall-making Aphids
	Psyllidae	Jumping plantlice
Neuroptera (Net-veined insects)	Myrmeleontidae	Antlion
	Hemerobiidae	Brown Lacewings
	Raphidiidae	Snakefly
Coleoptera (Beetles)	Cicindelidae	Tiger beetle
	Carabidae	Ground beetle
	Silphidae	Carrion beetle
	Lampyridae	Firefly
	Cantharidae	Soldier beetle
	Lycidae	Net-winged beetle
	Buprestidae	Metallic wood-boring beetle
	Staphylinidae	Rove beetle
	Erotylidae	Pleasing fungus beetle

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**Table 6-18. Terrestrial Insects found on Los Alamos National Laboratory Property as of December 1995 (Cont.)**

Order	Family	Common Name
Lepidoptera (Butterflies, moths)	Nitidulidae	Sap beetle
	Coccinellidae	Ladybird beetle
	Tenebrionidae	Darkling beetle
	Meloidae	Blister beetle
	Cerambycidae	Long-horned beetle
	Lucanidae	Stag beetle
	Scarabaeidae	Scarab beetle
	Chrysomelidae	Leaf beetle
	Curulionidae	Weevil
	Dermestidae	Dermestid beetle
	Papilionidae	Swallowtail
	Lycaenidae	Copper
	Hesperiidae	Skipper
	Pieridae	White, sulphur, and orange
	Nymphalidae	Brush-footed butterfly
	Satyridae	Satyr, nymph, and artic
	Noctuidae	Noctuid moth
	Sphingidae	Sphinx moth
	Saturniidae	Giant silkworm moth
	Gelechiidae	Gelechiid moth
Diptera (Flies)	Geometridae	Measuring worms
	Pterophoridae	Plume moth
	Tabanidae	Horse and deer flies
	Therevidae	Stiletto fly
	Asilidae	Robber fly
	Bombyliidae	Bee fly
	Syrphidae	Hover fly
Siphonaptera (Fleas)	Tachinidae	Tachinid fly
	Pulicidae	Dog fleas
Hymenoptera (Bees, ants, wasps)	Ichneumonidae	Ichneumonid wasp
	Cynipidae	Gall wasp
	Mutillidae	Velvet ant
	Scoliidae	Scoliid wasp
	Formicidae	Ant
	Pompilidae	Spider wasp
	Eumenidae	Euminid wasp
	Vespidae	Vespid wasp
	Sphecidae	Sphecid wasp
	Halictidae	Metallic wasp
	Megachilidae	Leafcutting bee
	Apidae	Honey and bumble bees

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**Table 6-19. Noninsect Terrestrial Arthropods found on Los Alamos National Laboratory Property as of December 1995**

Class/Order	Family
Chilopoda (centipedes)	Geophilidae Lithobiidae
Diplopoda (millipedes)	Julidae
Arachnida/Acarina (spiders/mites)	Bdellidae Bryobiidae Calligonellidae Cryptognathidae Cunaxidae Erythraeidae Eupodidae Gymnodamaeidae Laelapidae Nanorchestidae Paratydaeidae Phytoseiidae Rhagidiidae Rhaphignathidae Scutacaridae Stigmaeidae Tenuipalpidae Terpnacaridae Trombidiidae Tydeidae Tarsonemidae Zerconidae Agelenidae Amaurobiidae
Archnida/Araneida	Anyphaenidae Araneidae Clubionidae Dictynidae Gnaphosidae Hahniidae Linyphiidae Lycosidae Micryphantidae Miryphantidae Oonopidae Pholcidae Tetragnathidae Salticidae Theridiidae Thomisidae Phalangiidae

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**Table 6-20. Species of Amphibians and Reptiles Captured in Pajarito Canyon during 1995**

Common Name	Species	Total	Relative Abundance
Tiger Salamander	AMTI	1	1.39%
Woodhouse toad	BUWO	2	2.78%
Plateau whiptail	CNVE	42	58.33%
Many-lined skink	EUMU	20	27.78%
Chorus frog	PSTR	3	4.17%
Eastern fence lizard	SCUN	3	4.17%
Western terrestrial garter snake	THEL	1	1.39%
Total		72	100.00%

**Table 6-21. Bird Species found at Los Alamos National Laboratory during 1995**

Scientific Name	Species Code	Common Name
<i>Melanerpes formicivorus</i>	ACWO	Acorn Woodpecker
<i>Falco sparverius</i>	AMKE	American Kestrel
<i>Turdus migratorius</i>	AMRO	American Robin
<i>Myiarchus cinerascens</i>	ATFL	Ash-throated Flycatcher
<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	BASW	Barn Swallow
<i>Archilochus alexandri</i>	BCHU	Black-chinned Hummingbird
<i>Pheucticus melanocephalus</i>	BHGR	Black-headed Grosbeak
<i>Guiraca caerulea</i>	BLGR	Blue Grosbeak
<i>Poliophtila caerulea</i>	BGGN	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher
<i>Euphagus cyanocephalus</i>	BRBL	Brewer's Blackbird
<i>Selasphorus platycercus</i>	BTHU	Broad-tailed Hummingbird
<i>Molothrus ater</i>	BHCO	Brown-headed Cowbird
<i>Psaltiriparus minimus</i>	BUSH	Bushtit
<i>Pipilo fuscus</i>	CATO	Canyon Towhee
<i>Catherpes mexicanus</i>	CAWR	Canyon Wren
<i>Spizella passerina</i>	CHSP	Chipping Sparrow
<i>Nucifraga columbiana</i>	CLNU	Clark's Nutcracker
<i>Hirundo pyrrhonota</i>	CLSW	Cliff Swallow
<i>Corvus corax</i>	CORA	Common Raven
<i>Accipiter cooperii</i>	COHA	Cooper's Hawk
<i>Junco hyemalis</i>	DEJU	Dark-eyed Junco
<i>Picoides pubescens</i>	DOWO	Downy Woodpecker
<i>Empidonax oberholseri</i>	DUFL	Dusky Flycatcher
<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	EUST	European Starling
<i>Otus flammeolus</i>	FLOW	Flamulated Owl
<i>Dendroica graciae</i>	GRWA	Grace's Warbler
<i>Empidonax wrightii</i>	GRFL	Gray Flycatcher
<i>Bubo virginianus</i>	GHOW	Great-horned Owl
<i>Picoides villosus</i>	HAWO	Hairy Woodpecker
<i>Catharus guttatus</i>	HETH	Hermit Thrush
<i>Carpodacus mexicanus</i>	HOFI	House Finch
<i>Passer domesticus</i>	HOSP	House Sparrow

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**Table 6-21. Bird Species found at Los Alamos National Laboratory during 1995 (Cont.)**

Scientific Name	Species Code	Common Name
<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>	HOWR	House Wren
<i>Passerina cyanea</i>	INBU	Indigo Bunting
<i>Carduelis psaltria</i>	LEGO	Lesser Goldfinch
<i>Melanerpes lewis</i>	LEWO	Lewis' Woodpecker
<i>Lanis ludovicianus</i>	LOSH	Loggerhead Shrike
<i>Oporornis tolmiei</i>	MAWA	MacGillivray's Warbler
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	MALL	Mallard Duck
<i>Falco columbarius</i>	MERI	Merlin
<i>Parus gambeli</i>	MOCH	Mountain Chickadee
<i>Zenaida macroura</i>	MODO	Mourning Dove
<i>Colaptes auratus</i>	NOFL	Northern Flicker
<i>Mimus polyglottos</i>	NOMO	Northern Mockingbird
<i>Glaucidium gnom</i>	NOPO	Northern Pygmy-Owl
<i>Gymnorhinus cyanocephalus</i>	PIJA	Piñon Jay
<i>Carduelis pinus</i>	PISI	Pine Siskin
<i>Parus inornatus</i>	PLTI	Plain Titmouse
<i>Sitta pygmaea</i>	PYNU	Pygmy Nuthatch
<i>Sitta canadensis</i>	RBNU	Red-breasted Nuthatch
<i>jamaicensis</i>	RTHA	Red-tailed Hawk
<i>Agelaius phoeniceus</i>	RWBL	Red-winged Blackbird
<i>Regulus calendula</i>	RCKI	Ruby-crowned Kinglet
<i>Selasphorus rufus</i>	RUHU	Rufous Hummingbird
<i>Pipilo erythrophthalmus</i>	RSTO	Rufous-sided Towhee
<i>Sayornis saya</i>	SAPH	Say's Phoebe
<i>Aphelocoma coerulescens</i>	SCJA	Scrub Jay
<i>Vireo solitarius</i>	SOVI	Solitary Vireo
<i>Melospiza melodia</i>	SOSP	Song Sparrow
<i>Strix occidentalis lucida</i>	SPOW	Spotted Owl
<i>Cyanocitta stelleri</i>	STJA	Steller's Jay
<i>Piranga ruber</i>	SUTA	Summer Tanager
<i>Myadestes townsendi</i>	TOSO	Townsend's Solitaire
<i>Cathartes aura</i>	TUVU	Turkey Vulture
<i>Tachycineta thalassina</i>	VGSW	Violet-green Swallow
<i>Vermivora virginiae</i>	VIWA	Virginia's Warbler
<i>Vireo gilvus</i>	WAVI	Warbling Vireo
<i>Sialia mexicana</i>	WEBL	Western Bluebird
<i>Tyrannus verticalis</i>	WEKI	Western Kingbird
<i>Piranga ludoviciana</i>	WETA	Western Tanager
<i>Contopus sordidulus</i>	WWPE	Western Wood-Pewee
<i>Sitta carolinensis</i>	WBNU	White-breasted Nuthatch
<i>Zonotrichia albicollis</i>	WTSP	White-throated Sparrow
<i>Aeronautes saxatalis</i>	WTSW	White-throated Swift
<i>Sphyrapicus thyroideus</i>	WISA	Williamson's Sapsucker
<i>Wilsonia pusilla</i>	WIWA	Wilson's Warbler
<i>Dendroica petechia</i>	YEWA	Yellow Warbler
<i>Dendroica coronata</i>	YRWA	Yellow-rumped Warbler

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**Table 6-22. Mean Radionuclide Concentrations<sup>a</sup> for Small Mammal Pelt and Carcass Samples, Area G (Sites 1 and 2) and Frijoles Canyon (Site 4), 1995**

Radionuclide	Site 1			Site 2			Site 4 (Control)		
	N	Pelt	Carcass	N	Pelt	Carcass	N	Pelt	Carcass
Total U	3	2.12	0.393	3	0.9	0.347	3	1.77	0.707
<sup>241</sup> Am	3	0.093	0.026	3	0.148	0.066	3	0.152	0.016
<sup>238</sup> Pu	3	0.07	0.013	3	0.049	0.021	3	0.008	0.007
<sup>239</sup> Pu	3	0.115	0.024	3	0.226	0.061	3	0.16	0.005
<sup>90</sup> Sr	3	0.4	1.233	3	0.4	1.067	3	2.2	1.633
<sup>137</sup> Cs	3	0.9	0.303	3	0.92	0.473	3	3.91	2.267
<sup>3</sup> H	3	86,933	125,167	3	5,233	20,700	3	200	333

<sup>a</sup>Radionuclide concentrations for U are measured µg/g ash; <sup>3</sup>H are in pCi/L; all other contaminants are measured in pCi/g ash.



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**Table 6-23. Radionuclide Analysis of Surface Soil Samples Taken from Technical Area 54, Area G Perimeter in 1995**

Sampling <sup>a</sup> Location	% H <sub>2</sub> O	<sup>3</sup> H (pCi/L)	<sup>241</sup> Am (pCi/g)	<sup>137</sup> Cs (pCi/g)	Total U (μg/g)	<sup>238</sup> Pu (pCi/g)	<sup>239</sup> Pu (pCi/g)
G-5-1	4.47	100	0.12	1.76	4.86	0.004	0.085
G-5-2	2.86	400	0.09	0.88	3.89	0.056	0.060
G-6-1	1.90	200	0.03	0.05	2.52	0.00	0.003
G-7-1	4.12	400	0.02	0.25	2.84	0.001	0.009
G-8-1	3.62	100	0.01	0.15	2.13	0.004	0.007
G-8-2	2.08	300	0.15	0.45	2.33	0.001	0.021
G-29-1	1.89	43,300	−0.15 <sup>b</sup>	0.07	2.98	0.059	0.022
G-29-2	1.23	60,000	0.00	0.28	2.55	0.053	0.028
G-29-3	1.00	90,500	0.01	0.23	2.57	0.012	0.014
G-30-1	0.94	83,600	0.07	0.03	1.60	0.007	0.005
G-31-1	5.87	33,700	0.02	0.88	3.31	0.035	0.079
G-31-2	1.82	71,900	0.00	0.02	2.06	0.013	0.020
G-31-3	1.51	69,100	−0.05	0.10	1.99	0.003	0.004
G-32-1	1.38	32,100	0.11	0.02	1.66	0.006	0.009
G-32-2	2.25	24,300	0.05	0.15	3.24	0.011	0.067
G-32-3	1.89	16,100	0.03	0.19	2.67	0.034	0.021
G-34-4	2.49	4,500	0.00	0.15	3.02	0.029	0.034
G-34-5	2.02	5,000	0.23	0.05	2.63	0.008	0.007
G-34-7	3.45	2,300	0.19	0.03	2.21	0.006	0.003
G-34-9	3.22	3,100	0.07	0.32	3.10	0.017	0.071
G-34-10	5.84	1,700	0.12	0.14	2.21	0.028	0.199
G-34-13	2.26	3,400	0.01	0.09	2.19	0.212	0.023
G-38-2	6.32	15,100	0.14	0.25	2.75	0.078	0.132
G-39-1	3.78	1,800	0.03	0.11	1.62	0.445	0.213
G-39-2	0.77	2,900	0.08	0.02	2.18	0.085	0.114
G-40-1	1.64	1,600	0.09	0.16	2.10	1.309	0.169
G-40-2	2.95	1,700	0.22	0.34	2.66	1.731	0.267
G-41-2	3.85	500	0.14	0.22	2.44	2.182	0.206
G-42-1	1.21	1,600	0.08	0.27	3.00	1.42	0.736
G-42-6	5.98	1,700	0.08	0.03	2.86	0.12	6.290
G-43-1	2.19	7,200	0.40	0.46	2.95	0.277	0.558
G-44-2	3.44	5,000	0.97	0.42	2.88	0.626	0.942
G-45-4	3.45	14,000	0.74	0.35	2.47	0.964	1.301
G-45-5	4.18	3,600	0.69	0.33	2.25	0.303	0.378
G-45-6	3.27	10,000	0.12	0.08	2.42	0.231	0.151
G-45-7	5.38	35,700	0.63	0.68	3.09	10.7	1.200
G-46-1	19.00	1,900	0.34	1.10	3.07	7.76	1.060
G-46-2	3.84	2,500	0.92	0.33	2.57	1.971	0.825
G-47-1	3.22	1,300	0.89	<.47 <sup>c</sup>	2.39	0.111	2.477
G-49-1	6.92	1,200	0.61	0.14	2.11	0.044	0.342
G-49-2	5.73	1,100	0.42	0.13	2.61	0.022	0.092
G-50-1	3.47	2,600	0.30	0.19	2.93	0.062	0.211
G-50-2	3.21	1,700	0.67	0.03	2.52	0.038	0.048
G-52-1	1.51	1,400	0.90	0.35	2.91	0.014	0.025
G-52-2	2.01	1,160	0.32	0.16	1.97	0.005	0.012
G-52-3	1.39	1,900	0.051	0.37	2.49	0.028	0.035

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**Table 6-23. Radionuclide Analysis of Surface Soil Samples Taken from Technical Area 54, Area G Perimeter in 1995 (Cont.)**

Sampling <sup>a</sup> Location	% H <sub>2</sub> O	<sup>3</sup> H (pCi/L)	<sup>241</sup> Am (pCi/g)	<sup>137</sup> Cs (pCi/g)	Total U (μg/g)	<sup>238</sup> Pu (pCi/g)	<sup>239</sup> Pu (pCi/g)
G-53-1	6.29	300	0.01	0.50	2.39	0.010	0.020
G-53-2	5.72	3,800	0.49	0.42	2.78	0.019	0.023
G-54-1	5.56	400	-0.01	0.44	2.70	0.016	0.025
G-54-2	4.46	600	0.04	0.35	2.95	0.009	0.035
G-55-1	5.71	300	0.03	0.11	2.49	0.004	0.020
G-57-1	4.45	200	0.02	1.63	4.19	0.011	0.093
G-58-1	3.76	2,200	0.01	0.18	2.36	0.025	0.033
G-59-1	3.23	200	0.02	0.02	3.51	0.004	0.002
G-60-1	3.41	200	0.06	0.16	2.92	0.004	0.009
G-62-1	4.66	-100	0.06	0.66	3.00	0.008	0.025
G-64-1	3.76	200	0.02	0.40	2.85	0.005	0.011
G-65-2	4.03	0	0.0	0.17	2.91	0.004	0.010

<sup>a</sup>Samples were taken July 15, 1995.

<sup>b</sup>See Appendix B for an explanation of negative values.

<sup>c</sup>Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified detection limit of the analytical method.

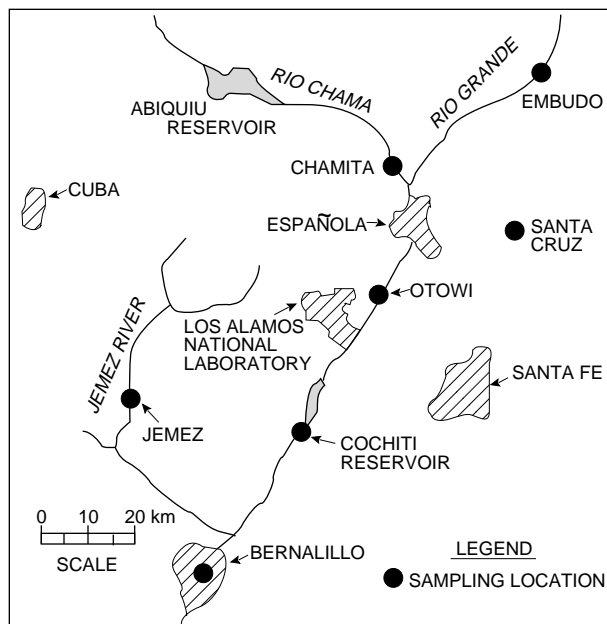
**Table 6-24. Metal Analysis (μg/g) of Surface Soil Samples Taken from Technical Area 54, Area G Perimeter in 1995**

Sampling <sup>a</sup> Location	Ag	As	Ba	Be	Cd	Cr	Hg	Ni	Pb	Sb
G-29-3	5.5	2	53	0.54	<.4 <sup>b</sup>	5.6	0.05	<2	8	<.3
G-38-2	<.4	2	77	0.53	<.4	6.6	0.04	2.2	9	<.3
G-43-1	<.4	2	44	0.38	<.4	4.7	0.05	<2	7	<.3
G-44-2	<.4	3	74	0.67	<.4	9.3	0.05	<5	8	<.3
G-45-5	<.4	3	70	0.56	<.4	7.7	0.06	<5	10	<.3
G-46-1	4.2	2	47	0.35	<.4	8.6	0.05	<2	9	<.3

<sup>a</sup>Samples were taken July 25, 1995.

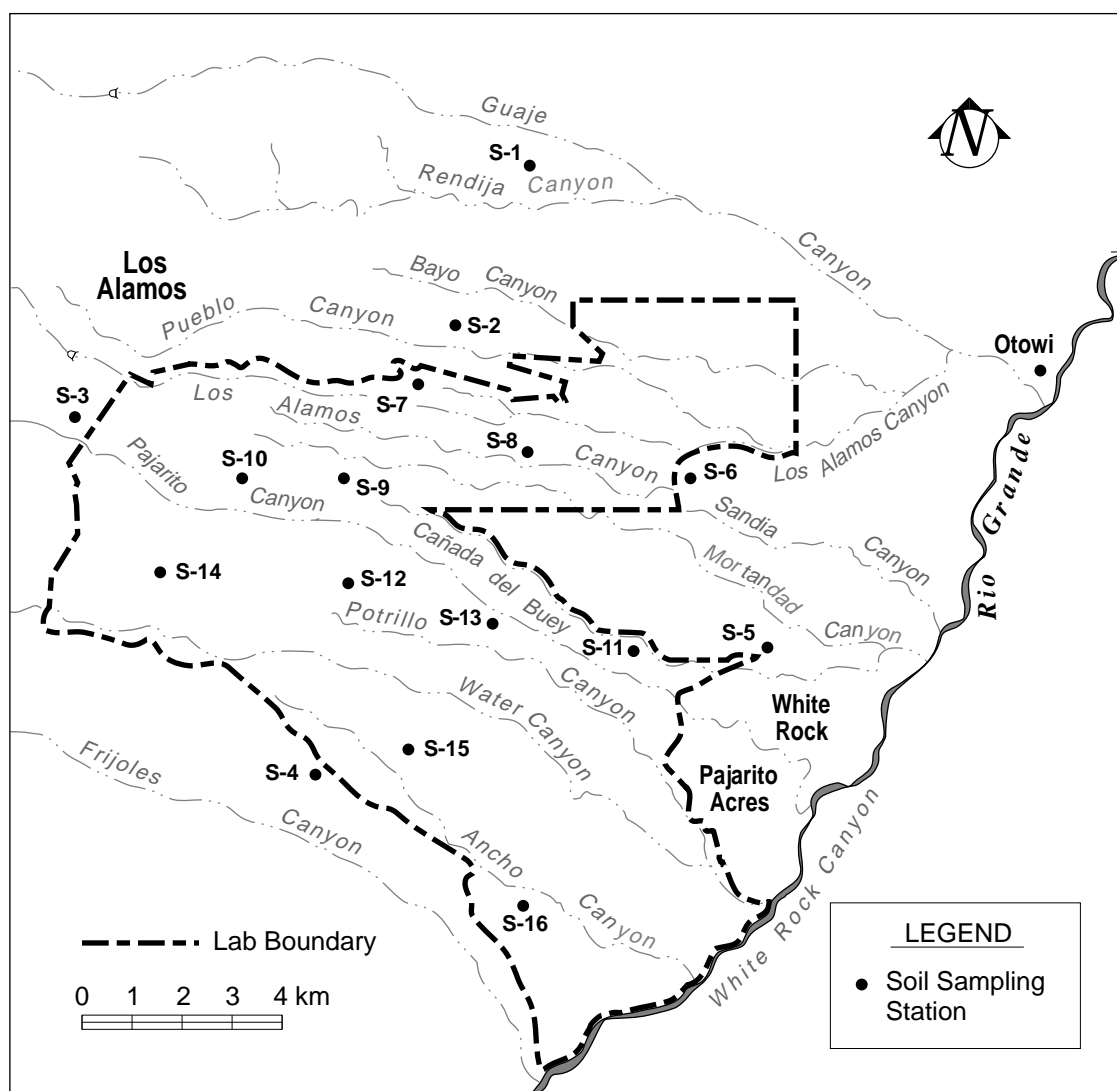
<sup>b</sup>Less than symbol (<) means measurement was below the specified detection limit of the analytical method.

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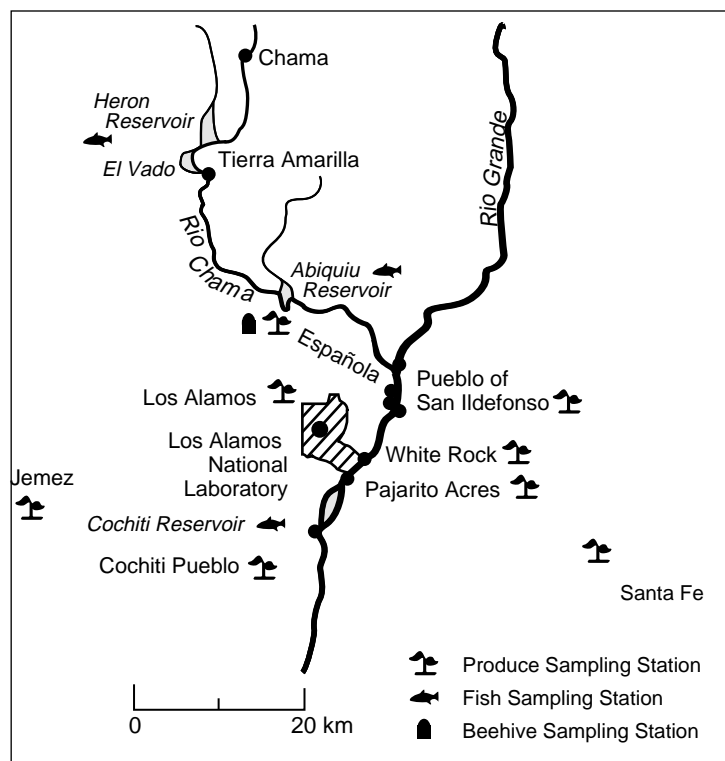
**Figure 6-1.** Off-site regional sampling locations for soil.

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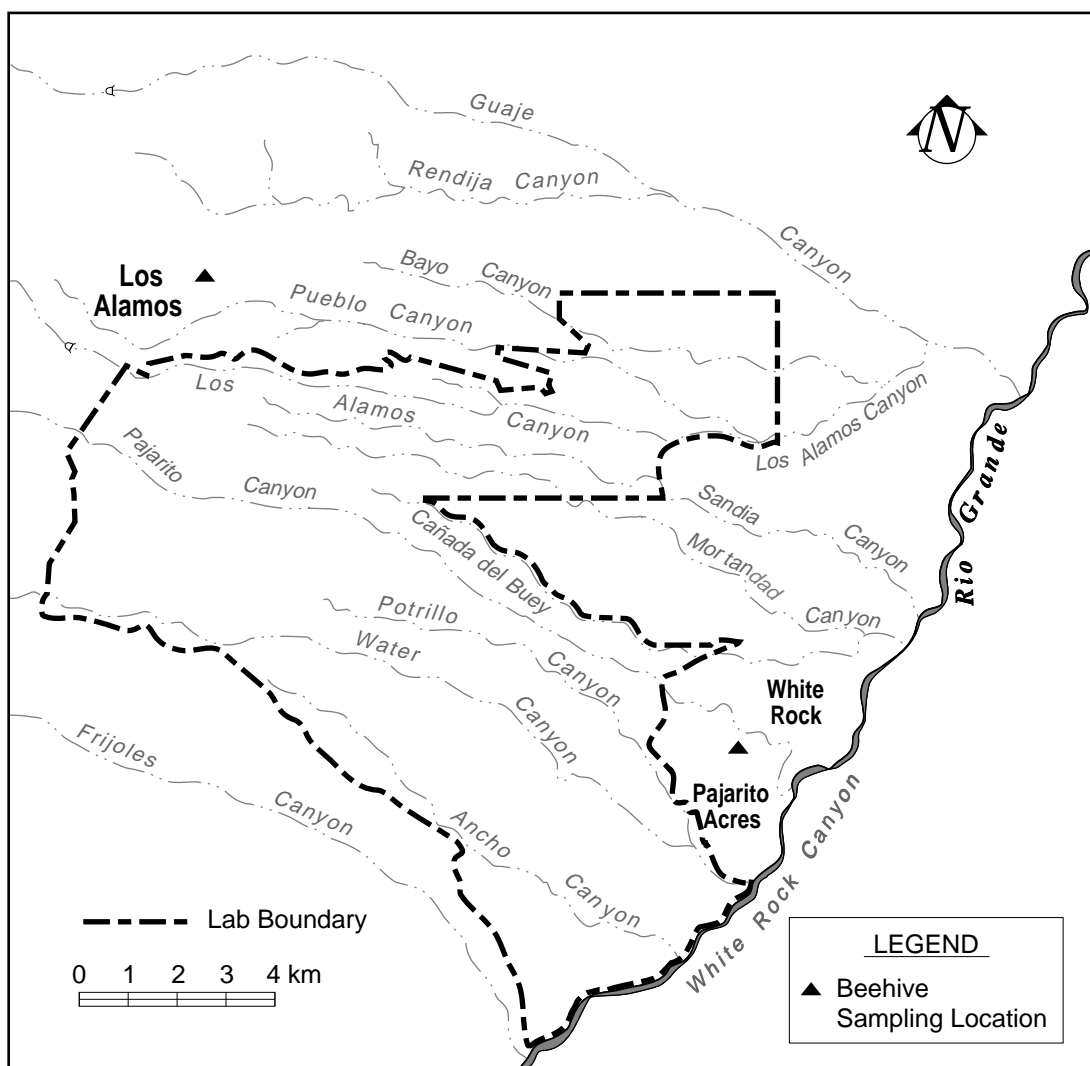
**Figure 6-2.** Off-site perimeter and on-site Laboratory soil sampling locations. (Map denotes general locations only. Refer to Table 6-1 for specific coordinates.)

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**Figure 6-3.** Produce, fish, and beehive off-site (regional and perimeter) sampling locations. (Map denotes general locations only.)

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**Figure 6-4.** Locations of beehives. (Map denotes general locations only.)

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## **Standards for Environmental Contaminants**

Throughout this report, concentrations of radioactive and chemical constituents in air and water samples are compared with pertinent standards and guidelines in regulations of federal and state agencies. No comparable standards for soils, sediments, and foodstuffs are available. Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL or the Laboratory) operations are conducted in accordance with directives for compliance with environmental standards. These directives are contained in Department of Energy (DOE) Orders 5400.1, "General Environmental Program;" 5400.5, "Radiation Protection of the Public and the Environment;" 5480.1, "Environmental Protection, Safety, and Health Protection Standards;" 5480.11, "Requirements for Radiation Protection for Occupational Workers;" and 5484.1, "Environmental Radiation Protection, Safety, and Health Protection Information Reporting Requirements," Chap. III, "Effluent and Environmental Monitoring Program Requirements."

**Radiation Standards.** DOE regulates radiation exposure to the public and the worker by limiting the radiation dose that can be received during routine Laboratory operations. Because some radionuclides remain in the body and result in exposure long after intake, DOE requires consideration of the dose commitment caused by inhalation, ingestion, or absorption of such radionuclides. This evaluation involves integrating the dose received from radionuclides over a standard period of time. For this report, 50-yr dose commitments were calculated using the dose factors from Refs. A1 and A2. The dose factors adopted by DOE are based on the recommendations of Publication 30 of the International Commission on Radiological Protection (ICRP).<sup>A3</sup>

In 1990, DOE issued Order 5400.5, which finalized the interim radiation protection standard (RPS) for the public.<sup>A4</sup> Table A-1 lists currently applicable RPSs, now referred to as public dose limits (PDLs), for operations at the Laboratory. DOE's comprehensive PDL for radiation exposure limits the effective dose equivalent (EDE) that a member of the public can receive from DOE operations to 100 mrem/yr. The PDLs and the information in Refs. A1 and A2 are based on recommendations of the ICRP and the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements.<sup>A3,A4</sup>

The EDE is the hypothetical whole-body dose that would result in the same risk of radiation-induced cancer or genetic disorder as a given exposure to an individual organ. It is the sum of the individual organ doses, weighted to account for the sensitivity of each organ to radiation-induced damage. The weighting factors are taken from the recommendations of the ICRP. The EDE includes doses from both internal and external exposure.

Radionuclide concentrations in air and water in uncontrolled areas measured by the Laboratory's surveillance program are compared with DOE's derived air concentrations (DACs) and derived concentration guides (DCGs), respectively (Table A-2).<sup>A5</sup> These guides represent the smallest estimated concentrations in water or air, taken in continuously for a period of 50 years, that will result in annual EDEs equal to the PDL of 100 mrem in the 50th year of exposure.

In addition to the 100 mrem/yr effective dose PDL, exposures from the air pathway are also limited by the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) 1989 standard of 10 mrem/yr EDE.<sup>A6</sup> To demonstrate compliance with these standards, doses from the air pathway are compared directly with the EPA dose limits. This dose limit of 10 mrem/yr replaced the previous EPA limits of 25 mrem/yr (whole body) and 75 mrem/yr (any organ).<sup>A7</sup>

**Nonradioactive Air Quality Standards.** Federal and state ambient air quality standards for nonradioactive pollutants are shown in Table A-3. New Mexico nonradiological standards are generally more stringent than national standards.

**Drinking Water Standards.** For chemical constituents in drinking water, regulations and standards are issued by EPA and adopted by the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) as part of the NM Drinking Water Supply Regulations (Table A-4).<sup>A8</sup> EPA's primary maximum contaminant level (MCL) is the maximum permissible level of a contaminant in drinking water that is delivered to the ultimate user of a public water system.<sup>A9</sup> EPA has set "action levels" in lieu of MCLs for lead and copper. If more than 10% of the samples from specified sites exceed the action level, the agency that manages the public water supply must initiate a corrosion control program. EPA's secondary drinking water standards, which are not included in the NM Drinking Water Supply Regulations and are not enforceable, relate to contaminants in drinking water that primarily affect aesthetic qualities associated with public acceptance of drinking water.<sup>A9</sup> There may be health effects associated with considerably higher concentrations of these contaminants.

Radioactivity in drinking water is regulated by EPA regulations contained in 40 CFR 141<sup>A9</sup> and NM Drinking Water Supply Regulations, Sections 206 and 207.<sup>A8</sup> These regulations provide that combined radium-226 and

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radium-228 may not exceed 5 pCi/L. Gross alpha activity (including radium-226, but excluding radon and uranium) may not exceed 15 pCi/L.

A screening level of 5 pCi/L for gross alpha is established to determine when analysis specifically for radium isotopes is necessary. In this report, plutonium concentrations are compared with both the EPA gross alpha standard for drinking water (Table A-4) and the DOE guides calculated for the DCGs applicable to drinking water (Table A-2).

For man-made beta- and photon-emitting radionuclides, EPA drinking water standards are limited to concentrations that would result in doses not exceeding 4 mrem/yr, calculated according to a specified procedure. In addition, DOE Order 5400.5 requires that persons consuming water from DOE-operated public water supplies do not receive an EDE greater than 4 mrem/yr. DCGs for drinking water systems based on this requirement are in Table A-2.

**Surface Water Standards.** In its Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) regulations, EPA has established minimum concentrations of certain contaminants in water extracted from wastes that will cause the waste to be designated as hazardous because of its toxicity.<sup>A10</sup> The toxicity characteristic leaching procedure (TCLP) must follow steps outlined by the EPA in 40 CFR 261, Appendix II. In this report, the TCLP minimum concentrations (Table A-5) are used for comparison with concentrations of selected constituents extracted from the Laboratory's active waste areas.

**Wildlife Water Standards.** The purpose of these standards is to designate the uses for which the surface waters of the State of New Mexico shall be protected and to describe the water quality standards necessary to sustain the designated uses. In this report, the Wildlife Watering Standards (Table A-6)<sup>A11</sup> are used to compare with the quality of surface water at the Laboratory.

**Table A-1. Department of Energy Public Dose Limits (PDL) for External and Internal Exposures**

	<b>EDE<sup>b</sup> at Point of Maximum Probable Exposure</b>
<b>Exposure of Any Member of the Public<sup>a</sup></b>	
All Pathways	100 mrem/yr <sup>c</sup>
Air Pathway Only <sup>d</sup>	10 mrem/yr
Drinking Water	4 mrem/yr
<b>Occupational Exposure<sup>a</sup></b>	
Stochastic Effects	5 rem (annual EDE <sup>e</sup> )
<b>Nonstochastic Effects</b>	
Lens of eye	15 rem (annual EDE <sup>e</sup> )
Extremity	50 rem (annual EDE <sup>e</sup> )
Skin of the whole body	50 rem (annual EDE <sup>e</sup> )
Organ or tissue	50 rem (annual EDE <sup>e</sup> )
<b>Unborn Child</b>	
Entire gestation period	0.5 rem (annual EDE <sup>e</sup> )

<sup>a</sup>In keeping with DOE policy, exposures shall be limited to as small a fraction of the respective annual dose limits as practicable. DOE's PDL applies to exposures from routine Laboratory operation, excluding contributions from cosmic, terrestrial, and global fallout; self-irradiation; and medical diagnostic sources of radiation. Routine operation means normal, planned operation and does not include actual or potential accidental or unplanned releases. Exposure limits for any member of the general public are taken from Ref. A4. Limits for occupational exposure are taken from DOE Order 5480.11.

<sup>b</sup>As used by DOE, EDE includes both the EDE from external radiation and the committed EDE to individual tissues from ingestion and inhalation during the calendar year.

<sup>c</sup>Under special circumstances and subject to approval by DOE, this limit on the EDE may be temporarily increased to 500 mrem/yr, provided the dose averaged over a lifetime does not exceed the principal limit of 100 mrem/yr.

<sup>d</sup>This level is from EPA's regulations issued under the Clean Air Act (40 CFR 61, Subpart H).

<sup>e</sup>Annual EDE is the EDE received in a year.

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**Table A-2. Department of Energy's Derived Concentration Guides for Water and Derived Air Concentrations<sup>a</sup>**

Nuclide	DCGs for Water in Uncontrolled Areas (pCi/L)	DCGs for Drinking Water Systems (pCi/L)	DACs (μCi/mL)	
			Uncontrolled Areas	Controlled Areas
<sup>3</sup> H	2,000,000	80,000	$1 \times 10^{-7}$	$2 \times 10^{-5}$
<sup>7</sup> Be	1,000,000	40,000	$4 \times 10^{-8}$	$8 \times 10^{-6}$
<sup>89</sup> Sr	20,000	800	$3 \times 10^{-10}$	$6 \times 10^{-8}$
<sup>90</sup> Sr <sup>b</sup>	1,000	40	$9 \times 10^{-12}$	$2 \times 10^{-9}$
<sup>137</sup> Cs	3,000	120	$4 \times 10^{-10}$	$7 \times 10^{-8}$
<sup>234</sup> U	500	20	$9 \times 10^{-14}$	$2 \times 10^{-11}$
<sup>235</sup> U	600	24	$1 \times 10^{-13}$	$2 \times 10^{-11}$
<sup>238</sup> U	600	24	$1 \times 10^{-13}$	$2 \times 10^{-11}$
<sup>238</sup> Pu	40	1.6	$3 \times 10^{-14}$	$3 \times 10^{-12}$
<sup>239</sup> Pu <sup>b</sup>	30	1.2	$2 \times 10^{-14}$	$2 \times 10^{-12}$
<sup>240</sup> Pu	30	1.2	$2 \times 10^{-14}$	$2 \times 10^{-12}$
<sup>241</sup> Am	30	1.2	$2 \times 10^{-14}$	$2 \times 10^{-12}$
	(μg/L)	(μg/L)	(pg/m <sup>3</sup> )	(pg/m <sup>3</sup> )
Natural U	800	30	$1 \times 10^5$	$3 \times 10^7$

<sup>a</sup>Guides for uncontrolled areas are based on DOE's PDL for the general public<sup>A4</sup>; those for controlled areas are based on occupational RPSs for DOE Order 5480.11. Guides apply to concentrations in excess of those occurring naturally or that are due to worldwide fallout.

<sup>b</sup>Guides for <sup>239</sup>Pu and <sup>90</sup>Sr are the most appropriate to use for gross alpha and gross beta, respectively.

Table A-3. National and New Mexico Ambient Air Quality Standards

Pollutant	Averaging Time	Unit	New Mexico Standard	Federal Standards	
				Primary	Secondary
Sulfur dioxide	Annual arithmetic mean	ppm	0.02	0.03	
	24 hours <sup>a</sup>	ppm	0.10	0.14	
	3 hours <sup>a</sup>	ppm			0.5
Total suspended particulate matter	Annual geometric mean	µg/m <sup>3</sup>	60		
	30 days	µg/m <sup>3</sup>	90		
	7 days	µg/m <sup>3</sup>	110		
	24 hours <sup>a</sup>	µg/m <sup>3</sup>	150		
PM <sub>10</sub> <sup>b</sup>	Annual arithmetic mean	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		50	50
	24 hours	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		150	150
Carbon monoxide	8 hours <sup>a</sup>	ppm	8.7	9	
	1 hour <sup>a</sup>	ppm	13.1	35	
Ozone	1 hour <sup>c</sup>	ppm	0.06	0.12	0.12
Nitrogen dioxide	Annual arithmetic mean	ppm	0.05	0.053	0.053
	24 hours <sup>a</sup>	ppm	0.10		
Lead	Calendar quarter	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		1.5	1.5
Beryllium	30 days	µg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.01		
Asbestos	30 days	µg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.01		
Heavy metals (total combined)	30 days	µg/m <sup>3</sup>	10		
Nonmethane hydrocarbons	3 hours	ppm	0.19		

<sup>a</sup>Maximum concentration, not to be exceeded more than once per year.

<sup>b</sup>Particles <10 µm in diameter.

<sup>c</sup>The standard is attained when the expected number of days per calendar year with maximum hourly average concentrations above the limit is ≤1.

**Table A-4. Safe Drinking Water Act Maximum Contaminant Levels in the Water Supply for Radiochemicals, Inorganic Chemicals, Organic Chemicals, and Microbiologicals**

<b>Contaminants</b>	
<b>Radiochemical:</b>	
	<b>MCL</b>
Gross alpha <sup>a</sup>	15 pCi/L
Gross beta & photon	4 mrem/yr
<sup>3</sup> H	20,000 pCi/L
<sup>90</sup> Sr	8 pCi/L
<sup>226</sup> Ra & <sup>228</sup> Ra	5 pCi/L
U	20 µg/L
	<b>Screening Limits</b>
Gross alpha <sup>a</sup>	5 pCi/L
Gross beta	50 pCi/L
<b>Inorganic Chemical:</b>	
<b>Primary Standards</b>	<b>MCL (µg/L)</b>
Asbestos	7 million fibers/L (longer than 10 µm)
As	0.05
Ba	2
Be	0.004
Cd	0.005
CN	0.2
Cr	0.1
F	4.0
Hg	0.002
Ni	0.1
NO <sub>3</sub> (as N)	10
NO <sub>2</sub> (as N)	1
Se	0.05
Sb	0.006
Tl	0.002
	<b>Action Levels (µg/L)</b>
Pb	0.015
Cu	1.3
<b>Secondary Standards</b>	<b>(µg/L)</b>
Cl	250
Cu	1
Fe	0.3
Mn	0.05
SO <sub>4</sub>	250
Zn	5.0
TDS <sup>b</sup>	500
pH	6.5–8.5 standard unit



**Table A-4. Safe Drinking Water Act Maximum Contaminant Levels in the Water Supply for Radiochemicals<sup>a</sup>, Inorganic Chemicals, Organic Chemicals, and Microbiologicals (Cont.)**

Contaminants	
Organic Chemical:	MCL (µg/L)
Alachlor	2
Atrazine	3
Carbofuran	40
Chlordane	2
Dibromochloropropane	0.2
2,4-D	70
Ethylene dibromide	0.05
Heptachlor	0.4
Heptachlor epoxide	0.2
Lindane	0.2
Methoxychlor	40
Polychlorinated biphenyls	0.5
Pentachlorophenol	1
Toxaphene	3
2,4,5-TP	50
Benzo[a]pyrene	0.2
Dalapon	200
Di(2-ethylhexyl)adipate	400
Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate	6
Dinoseb	7
Diquat	20
Endothall	100
Endrin	2
Glyphosate	700
Hexachlorobenzene	1
Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	50
Oxamyl (Vydate)	200
Picloram	500
Simazine	4
2,3,7,8-TCDD (Dioxin)	0.00003
Total trihalomethanes	100
Vinyl chloride	2
Benzene	5
Carbon tetrachloride	5
1,2-dichloroethane	5
Trichloroethylene	5
para-Dichlorobenzene	75
1,1-Dichloroethylene	7
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	200
cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene	70
1,2-Dichloropropane	5
Ethylbenzene	700
Monochlorobenzene	100

**Table A-4. Safe Drinking Water Act Maximum Contaminant Levels in the Water Supply for Radiochemicals<sup>a</sup>, Inorganic Chemicals, Organic Chemicals, and Microbiologicals (Cont.)**

Contaminants	
Organic Chemical: (Cont.)	MCL (µg/L)
o-Dichlorobenzene	600
Stryene	100
Tetrachloroethylene	5
Toluene	1,000
trans-1,2-Dichloroethylene	100
Xylenes (total)	10,000
Dichloromethane	5
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	70
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	5
Microbiological:	MCL
Presence of total coliforms	5% of samples/month
Presence of fecal coliforms or Escherichia coli	No coliform positive repeat samples following a fecal coliform positive sample

<sup>a</sup> See text for discussion of application of gross alpha MCL and gross alpha screening level of 5 pCi/L.

<sup>b</sup> Total dissolved solids.

**Table A-5. Levels of Contaminants  
Determined by the Toxicity  
Characteristic Leaching Procedure<sup>a</sup>**

Contaminant	(µg/L)
Arsenic	5.0
Barium	100.0
Benzene	0.5
Cadmium	1.0
Carbon tetrachloride	0.5
Chlordane	0.03
Chlorobenzene	100.0
Chloroform	6.0
Chromium	5.0
o-Cresol	200.0
m-Cresol	200.0
p-Cresol	200.0
Cresol	200.0
2,4-D	10.0
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	7.5
1,2-Dichloroethane	0.5
1,1-Dichloroethylene	0.7
2,4-Dinitrotoluene	0.13
Endrin	0.02
Heptachlor (and its epoxide)	0.008
Hexachlorobenzene	0.13
Hexachlorobutadiene	0.5
Hexachloroethane	3.0
Lead	5.0
Lindane	0.4
Mercury	0.2
Methoxychlor	10.0
Methyl ethyl ketone	200.0
Nitrobenzene	2.0
Pentachlorophenol	100.0
Pyridine	5.0
Selenium	1.0
Silver	5.0
Tetrachloroethylene	0.7
Toxaphene	0.5
Trichloroethylene	0.5
2,4,5-Trichlorophenol	400.0
2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	2.0
2,4,5-TP (Silvex)	1.0
Vinyl chloride	0.2

<sup>a</sup>Ref. A<sup>10</sup>.

**Table A-6. Livestock Watering Standards**

Livestock Contaminant	Concentration (µg/L)
Dissolved Al	5.0
Dissolved As	0.02
Dissolved B	5.0
Dissolved Cd	0.05
Dissolved Cr <sup>(5)</sup>	1.0
Dissolved Co	1.0
Dissolved Cu	0.5
Dissolved Pb	0.1
Total Hg	0.01
Dissolved Se	0.05
Dissolved V	0.1
Dissolved Zn	25.0
	<b>pCi/L</b>
<sup>226,228</sup> Ra	30
Tritium	20,000
Gross alpha	15

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## UNITS OF MEASUREMENT

Throughout this report the International System of Units (SI) or metric system of measurements has been used, with some exceptions. For units of radiation activity, exposure, and dose, US Customary Units (that is, curie [Ci], roentgen [R], rad, and rem) are retained as the primary measurement because current standards are written in terms of these units. The equivalent SI units are the becquerel (Bq), coulomb per kilogram (C/kg), gray (Gy), and sievert (Sv), respectively.

Table B-1 presents prefixes used in this report to define fractions or multiples of the base units of measurements. Scientific notation is used in this report to express very large or very small numbers. Translating from scientific notation to a more traditional number requires moving the decimal point either left or right from the number. If the value given is  $2.0 \times 10^3$ , the decimal point should be moved three numbers (insert zeros if no numbers are given) to the right of its present location. The number would then read 2,000. If the value given is  $2.0 \times 10^{-5}$ , the decimal point should be moved five numbers to the left of its present location. The result would become 0.00002.

Table B-2 presents conversion factors for converting SI units into US Customary Units. Table B-3 presents abbreviations for common measurements.

### Data Handling of Radiochemical Samples and Discussion of Negative Values.

Measurements of radiochemical samples require that analytical or instrumental backgrounds be subtracted to obtain net values. Thus, net values are sometimes obtained that are lower than the minimum detection limit of the analytical technique. Consequently, individual measurements can result in values of positive or negative numbers. Although a negative value does not represent a physical reality, a valid long-term average of many measurements can be obtained only if the very small and negative values are included in the population calculations.<sup>B1</sup>

For individual measurements, uncertainties are reported as one standard deviation. The standard deviation is estimated from the propagated sources of analytical error.

Standard deviations for the station and group (off-site regional, off-site perimeter, and on-site) means are calculated using the following equation:

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (\bar{c} - c_i)^2}{(N - 1)}},$$

where

$c_i$  = sample  $i$

$\bar{c}$  = mean of samples from a given station or group, and

$N$  = number of samples comprising a station or group.

This value is reported as the uncertainty for the station and group means.

**Table B-1. Prefixes Used with SI (Metric) Units**

Prefix	Factor	Symbol
mega	1 000 000 or $10^6$	M
kilo	1 000 or $10^3$	k
centi	0.01 or $10^{-2}$	c
milli	0.001 or $10^{-3}$	m
micro	0.000001 or $10^{-6}$	$\mu$
nano	0.000000001 or $10^{-9}$	n
pico	0.000000000001 or $10^{-12}$	p
femto	0.000000000000001 or $10^{-15}$	f
atto	0.000000000000000001 or $10^{-18}$	a

**Table B-2. Approximate Conversion Factors for Selected SI (Metric) Units**

Multiply SI (Metric) Unit	By	To Obtain US Customary Unit
Celsius ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	$9/5 + 32$	Fahrenheit ( $^{\circ}\text{F}$ )
Centimeters (cm)	0.39	Inches (in)
Cubic meters ( $\text{m}^3$ )	35.3	Cubic feet ( $\text{ft}^3$ )
Hectares (ha)	2.47	Acres
Grams (g)	0.035	Ounces (oz)
Kilograms (kg)	2.2	Pounds (lb)
Kilometers (km)	0.62	Miles (mi)
Liters (L)	0.26	Gallons (gal)
Meters (m)	3.28	Feet (ft)
Micrograms per gram ( $\mu\text{g/g}$ )	1	Parts per million (ppm)
Milligrams per liter (mg/L)	1	Parts per million (ppm)
Square kilometers ( $\text{km}^2$ )	0.386	Square miles ( $\text{mi}^2$ )



**Table B-3. Common Measurement Abbreviations and Measurement Symbols**

aCi	attocurie
ac ft	acre feet
Bq	becquerel
Btu/yr	British thermal unit per year
cc/sec	cubic centimeters per second
cfm	cubic feet per minute
cfs	cubic feet per second
Ci	curie
cpm/L	counts per minute per liter
fCi/g	femtocurie per gram
ft	foot
gal.	gallon
in.	inch
kg	kilogram
kg/h	kilogram per hour
L	liter
lb	pound
lb/h	pound per hour
lin ft	linear feet
m <sup>3</sup> /s	cubic meter per second
μCi/L	microcurie per liter
μCi/mL	microcurie per milliliter
μg/g	microgram per gram
μg/m <sup>3</sup>	microgram per cubic meter
mL	milliliter
mm	millimeter
μm	micrometer
μmho/cm	micro mho per centimeter
μR	microroentgen
mCi	millicurie
mR	milliroentgen
mrad	millirad
mrem	millirem
mSv	millisievert
nCi	nanocurie
nCi/dry g	nanocurie per dry gram
nCi/L	nanocurie per liter
ng/m <sup>3</sup>	nanogram per cubic meter
pCi/dry g	picocurie per dry gram
pCi/g	picocurie per gram
pCi/L	picocurie per liter
pCi/m <sup>3</sup>	picocurie per cubic meter
pCi/mL	picocurie per milliliter
pg/g	picogram per gram
pg/m <sup>3</sup>	picogram per cubic meter
PM <sub>10</sub>	small particulate matter (less than 10 μm diameter)
R	roentgen
ST or σ	standard deviation
Sv	sievert
sq ft (ft <sup>2</sup> )	square feet
TU	tritium unit
>	greater than
<	less than
±	plus or minus
~	approximately

## Appendix B

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### DESCRIPTIONS OF TECHNICAL AREAS AND THEIR ASSOCIATED PROGRAMS

Locations of the technical areas (TAs) operated by the Laboratory in Los Alamos County are shown in Figure 1-3. The main programs conducted at each of the areas are listed in this Appendix.

**TA-0:** The Laboratory has about 180,000 sq ft of leased space for training, support, architectural engineering design, unclassified research and development in the Los Alamos townsite and White Rock. The publicly accessible Community Reading Room, the Bradbury Science Museum, and DOE's Los Alamos Area Office are also located in the townsite.

**TA-2, Omega Site:** Omega West Reactor, an 8-MW nuclear research reactor, is located here. It served as a research tool by providing a source of neutrons for fundamental studies in nuclear physics and associated fields before it was shut down in 1993.

**TA-3, Core Area:** The Administration Complex contains the Director's office, administrative offices, and support facilities. Laboratories for several divisions are in this main TA of the Laboratory. Other buildings house central computing facilities, chemistry and materials science laboratories, and earth and space science laboratories, physics laboratories, technical shops, cryogenics laboratories, the main cafeteria, and the Study Center. TA-3 contains about 50% of the Laboratory's employees and floor space. A Van de Graaff accelerator was put on shutdown status in 1994.

**TA-5, Beta Site:** This site contains some physical support facilities such as an electrical substation, test wells, several archaeological sites, and environmental monitoring and buffer areas.

**TA-6, Two-Mile Mesa Site:** The site is mostly undeveloped and contains gas cylinder staging and vacant buildings pending disposal.

**TA-8, GT Site (or Anchor Site West):** This is a dynamic testing site operated as a service facility for the entire Laboratory. It maintains capability in all modern nondestructive testing techniques for ensuring quality of material, ranging from test weapons components to high-pressure dies and molds. Principal tools include radiographic techniques (x-ray machines with potentials up to 1,000,000 V and a 24-MeV betatron), radioisotope techniques, ultrasonic and penetrant testing, and electromagnetic test methods.

**TA-9, Anchor Site East:** At this site, fabrication feasibility and physical properties of explosives are explored. New organic compounds are investigated for possible use as explosives. Storage and stability problems are also studied.

**TA-11, K Site:** Facilities are located here for testing explosives components and systems, including vibration testing and drop testing, under a variety of extreme physical environments. The facilities are arranged so that testing may be controlled and observed remotely and so that devices containing explosives or radioactive materials, as well as those containing nonhazardous materials, may be tested.

**TA-14, Q Site:** This dynamic testing site is used for running various tests on relatively small explosive charges for fragment impact tests, explosives sensitivities, and thermal responses.

**TA-15, R Site:** This is the home of PHERMEX (the pulsed high-energy radiographic machine emitting x-rays) a multiple-cavity electron accelerator capable of producing a very large flux of x-rays for weapons development testing. It is also the proposed site to DARHT (the dual-axis radiographic hydrotest facility) whose major feature is its intense high-resolution, dual-machine radiographic capability. This site is also used for the investigation of weapons functioning and systems behavior in non-nuclear tests, principally through electronic recordings.

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**TA-16, S Site:** Investigations at this site include development, engineering design, prototype manufacture, and environmental testing of nuclear weapons warhead systems. TA-16 is the site of the new Weapons Engineering Tritium Facility for tritium handled in gloveboxes. Development and testing of high explosives, plastics, and adhesives and research on process development for manufacture of items using these and other materials are accomplished in extensive facilities.

**TA-18, Pajarito Laboratory Site:** The fundamental behavior of nuclear chain reactions with simple, low-power reactors called critical assemblies is studied here. Experiments are operated by remote control and observed by closed-circuit television. The machines are housed in buildings known as kivas and are used primarily to provide a controlled means of assembling a critical amount of fissionable material so that the effects of various shapes, sizes, and configurations can be studied. These machines are also used as a large-quantity source of fission neutrons for experimental purposes.

**TA-21, DP Site:** This site has two primary research areas: DP West and DP East. DP West is gradually being decontaminated and decommissioned. DP East is a tritium research site.

**TA-22, TD Site:** This site is used in the development of special detonators to initiate high explosive systems. Fundamental and applied research in support of this activity includes investigating phenomena associated with initiating high explosives and research in rapid shock-induced reactions.

**TA-28, Magazine Area A:** This is an explosives storage area.

**TA-33, HP Site:** An old high-pressure, tritium handling facility located here is being phased out. An intelligence technology group and the National Radio Astronomy Observatory's Very Large Baseline Array Telescope are located at this site.

**TA-35, Ten Site:** Nuclear safeguards research and development, which are conducted here, are concerned with techniques for nondestructive detection, identification, and analysis of fissionable isotopes. Research is done on reactor safety, laser fusion, optical sciences, pulsed-power systems, and high-energy physics. Tritium fabrication, metallurgy, ceramic technology, and chemical plating are also done here.

**TA-36, Kappa Site:** Phenomena of explosives, such as detonation velocity, are investigated at this dynamic testing site.

**TA-37, Magazine Area C:** This is an explosives storage area.

**TA-39, Ancho Canyon Site:** The behavior of non-nuclear weapons is studied here, primarily by photographic techniques. Investigations are also made into various phenomenological aspects of explosives, interactions of explosives, explosions involving other materials, shock wave physics, equation state measurements, and pulsed-power systems design.

**TA-40, DF Site:** This site is used in the development of special detonators to initiate high-explosive systems. Fundamental and applied research in support of this activity includes investigating phenomena associated with the physics of explosives.

**TA-41, W Site:** Personnel at this site engage primarily in engineering design and development of nuclear components, including fabrication and evaluation of test materials for weapons.

**TA-43, Health Research Laboratory and Center for Human Genome Studies:** This site is adjacent to the Los Alamos Medical Center in the townsite. Research performed at this site includes structural, molecular, and cellular radiobiology, biophysics, mammalian radiobiology, mammalian metabolism, biochemistry, and genetics.

**TA-46, WA Site:** Applied photochemistry, which includes development of technology for laser isotope separation and laser enhancement of chemical processes, is investigated here. The Sanitary Wastewater System Consolidation project has been installed at the east end of this site. Environmental management operations are also located here.

**TA-48, Radiochemistry Site:** Laboratory scientists and technicians at this site study nuclear properties of radioactive materials by using analytical and physical chemistry. Measurements of radioactive substances are made, and hot cells are used for remote handling of radioactive materials.

**TA-49, Frijoles Mesa Site:** This site is currently restricted to carefully selected functions because of its location near Bandelier National Monument and past use in high-explosive and radioactive materials experiments. The Hazardous Devices Team Training Facility is located here. The eastern portion is designated for a future sanitary landfill.

**TA-50, Waste Management Site:** Personnel at this site have responsibility for treating and disposing of most industrial liquid and radioactive liquid waste received from Laboratory technical areas, for development of improved methods of solid waste treatment, and for containment of radioactivity removed by treatment.

**TA-51, Environmental Research Site:** Research and experimental studies on the long-term impact of radioactive waste on the environment and types of waste storage and coverings are studied at this site.

**TA-52, Reactor Development Site:** A wide variety of theoretical and computational activities related to nuclear reactor performance and safety are done at this site.

**TA-53, Los Alamos Neutron Scattering Center:** The Los Alamos Neutron Scattering Center (LANSCE) (formerly the Los Alamos Meson Physics Facility), the Ground Test Accelerator, and the Proton Storage Ring are located at this TA.

**TA-54, Waste Disposal Site:** The primary function of this site is radioactive solid and hazardous chemical waste management and disposal.

**TA-55, Plutonium Facility Site:** Processing of plutonium and research on plutonium metallurgy are done at this site.

**TA-57, Fenton Hill Site:** About 45 km (28 mi) west of Los Alamos on the southern edge of the Valles Caldera in the Jemez Mountains, this site is the location of the Laboratory's Hot Dry Rock geothermal project, which has been inactive for the past several years.

**TA-58:** This site is reserved for multi-use experimental sciences requiring close functional ties to programs currently located at TA-3.

**TA-59, Occupational Health Site:** Occupational health and safety and environmental management activities are conducted at this site. Emergency management offices are also located here.

**TA-60, Sigma Mesa:** This area contains physical support and infrastructure facilities, including the Test Fabrication Facility and Rack Assembly and the Alignment Complex.

**TA-61, East Jemez Road:** This site is used for physical support and infrastructure facilities, including the sanitary landfill.

**TA-62:** This site is reserved for multi-use experimental science, public and corporate interface, and environmental research and buffer uses.

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**TA-63:** This is a major growth area at the Laboratory with expanding environmental and waste management functions and facilities. This area contains physical support facilities operated by Johnson Controls, Inc.

**TA-64:** This is the site of the Central Guard Facility.

**TA-65:** This undeveloped TA was incorporated into TA-51 and no longer exists.

**TA-66:** This site is used for industrial partnership activities.

**TA-67:** This is a dynamic testing area that contains significant archaeological sites. It is designated for future mixed and low-level hazardous waste storage.

**TA-68:** This is a dynamic testing area that contains archaeological and environmental study areas.

**TA-69:** This undeveloped TA serves as an environmental buffer for the dynamic testing area.

**TA-70:** This undeveloped TA serves as an environmental buffer for the high-explosives test area.

**TA-71:** This undeveloped TA serves as an environmental buffer for the high-explosives test area.

**TA-72:** This is the site of the Protective Forces Training facility.

**TA-73:** This area is the Los Alamos Airport.

**TA-74, Otowi Tract:** This large area, bordering the Pueblo of San Ildefonso on the east, is isolated from most of the Laboratory and contains significant concentrations of archaeological sites and an endangered species breeding area. The site also contains Laboratory water wells and future well fields.



<b><i>activation products</i></b>	Radioactive products generated as a result of neutrons and other subatomic particles interacting with materials such as air, construction materials, or impurities in cooling water. These activation products are usually distinguished, for reporting purposes, from fission products.
<b><i>ALARA</i></b>	As low as reasonably achievable. The term that describes an approach to radiation exposure control or management whereby the exposures and resulting doses are maintained as far below the limits specified for the appropriate circumstances as economic, technical, and practical considerations permit.
<b><i>alpha particle</i></b>	A positively charged particle (identical to the helium nucleus) composed of two protons and two neutrons that are emitted during decay of certain radioactive atoms. Alpha particles are stopped by several centimeters of air or a sheet of paper.
<b><i>ambient air</i></b>	The surrounding atmosphere as it exists around people, plants, and structures. It is not considered to include the air immediately adjacent to emission sources.
<b><i>aquifer</i></b>	A saturated layer of rock or soil below the ground surface that can supply usable quantities of groundwater to wells and springs. Aquifers can be a source of water for domestic, agricultural, and industrial uses.
<b><i>AEC</i></b>	Atomic Energy Commission. A federal agency created in 1946 to manage the development, use, and control of nuclear energy for military and civilian applications. It was abolished by the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 and was succeeded by the Energy Research and Development Administration (now part of the US Department of Energy (DOE) and the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission [NRC]).
<b><i>artesian well</i></b>	A well in which the water rises above the top of the water-bearing bed.
<b><i>atom</i></b>	Smallest particle of an element capable of entering into a chemical reaction.
<b><i>background radiation</i></b>	Ionizing radiation from sources other than the Laboratory. This radiation may include cosmic radiation; external radiation from naturally occurring radioactivity in the earth (terrestrial radiation), air, and water; internal radiation from naturally occurring radioactive elements in the human body; worldwide fallout; and radiation from medical diagnostic procedures.
<b><i>beta particle</i></b>	A negatively charged particle (identical to the electron) that is emitted during decay of certain radioactive atoms. Most beta particles are stopped by 0.6 cm of aluminum.
<b><i>blank sample</i></b>	A control sample that is identical, in principle, to the sample of interest, except that the substance being analyzed is absent. The

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	measured value or signals in blanks for the analyte is believed to be caused by artifacts and should be subtracted from the measured value. This process yields a net amount of the substance in the sample.
<b><i>blind sample</i></b>	A control sample of known concentration in which the expected values of the constituent are unknown to the analyst.
<b><i>BOD</i></b>	Biochemical (biological) oxygen demand. A measure of the amount of oxygen in biological processes that breaks down organic matter in water; a measure of the organic pollutant load. It is used as an indicator of water quality.
<b><i>CAA</i></b>	Clean Air Act. The federal law that authorizes the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to set air quality standards and to assist state and local governments to develop and execute air pollution prevention and control programs.
<b><i>CERCLA</i></b>	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980. Also known as Superfund, this law authorizes the federal government to respond directly to releases of hazardous substances that may endanger health or the environment. The EPA is responsible for managing Superfund.
<b><i>CFR</i></b>	Code of Federal Regulations. A codification of all regulations developed and finalized by federal agencies in the <i>Federal Register</i> .
<b><i>confined aquifer</i></b>	An aquifer bounded above and below by low-permeability rock or soil layers.
<b><i>COC</i></b>	Chain-of-Custody. A method for documenting the history and possession of a sample from the time of collection, through analysis and data reporting, to its final disposition.
<b><i>contamination</i></b>	(1) Substances introduced into the environment as a result of people's activities, regardless of whether the concentration is a threat to health (see pollution). (2) The deposition of unwanted radioactive material on the surfaces of structures, areas, objects, or personnel.
<b><i>controlled area</i></b>	Any Laboratory area to which access is controlled to protect individuals from exposure to radiation and radioactive materials.
<b><i>Ci</i></b>	Curie. Unit of radioactivity. One Ci equals $3.70 \times 10^{10}$ nuclear transformations per second.
<b><i>cosmic radiation</i></b>	High-energy particulate and electromagnetic radiations that originate outside the earth's atmosphere. Cosmic radiation is part of natural background radiation.
<b><i>DOE</i></b>	US Department of Energy. The federal agency that sponsors energy research and regulates nuclear materials used for weapons production.



<i>dose</i>	A term denoting the quantity of radiation energy absorbed.
<i>absorbed dose</i>	The energy imparted to matter by ionizing radiation per unit mass of irradiated material. (The unit of absorbed dose is the rad.)
<i>effective dose equivalent</i>	The hypothetical whole-body dose that would give the same risk of cancer mortality and serious genetic disorder as a given exposure but that may be limited to a few organs. The effective dose equivalent is equal to the sum of individual organ doses, each weighted by degree of risk that the organ dose carries. For example, a 100 mrem dose to the lung, which has a weighting factor of 0.12, gives an effective dose that is equivalent to $100 \times 0.12 = 12$ mrem.
<i>equivalent dose</i>	A term used in radiation protection that expresses all types of radiation (alpha, beta, and so on) on a common scale for calculating the effective absorbed dose. It is the product of the absorbed dose in rads and certain modifying factors. (The unit of dose equivalent is the rem.)
<i>maximum boundary dose</i>	The greatest dose commitment, considering all potential routes of exposure from a facility's operation, to a hypothetical individual who is in an uncontrolled area where the highest dose rate occurs. It assumes that the hypothetical individual is present 100% of the time (full occupancy), and it does not take into account shielding (for example, by buildings).
<i>maximum individual dose</i>	The greatest dose commitment, considering all potential routes of exposure from a facility's operation, to an individual at or outside the Laboratory boundary where the highest dose rate occurs. It takes into account shielding and occupancy factors that would apply to a real individual.
<i>population dose</i>	The sum of the radiation doses to individuals of a population. It is expressed in units of person-rem. (For example, if 1,000 people each received a radiation dose of 1 rem, their population dose would be 1,000 person-rem.)
<i>whole body dose</i>	A radiation dose commitment that involves exposure of the entire body (as opposed to an organ dose that involves exposure to a single organ or set of organs).
<i>dosimeter</i>	A portable detection device for measuring the total accumulated exposure to ionizing radiation.
<i>EA</i>	Environmental Assessment. A report that identifies potentially significant environmental impacts from any federally approved or funded project that may change the physical environment. If an EA shows significant impact, an Environmental Impact Statement is required.
<i>effluent</i>	A liquid waste discharged to the environment.

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<i>EIS</i>	Environmental Impact Statement. A detailed report, required by federal law, on the significant environmental impacts that a proposed major federal action would have on the environment. An EIS must be prepared by a government agency when a major federal action that will have significant environmental impacts is planned.
<i>emission</i>	A gaseous waste discharged to the environment.
<i>environmental compliance</i>	The documentation that the Laboratory complies with the multiple federal and state environmental statutes, regulations, and permits that are designed to ensure environmental protection. This documentation is based on the results of the Laboratory's environmental monitoring and surveillance programs.
<i>environmental monitoring</i>	The sampling of contaminants in liquid effluents and gaseous emissions from Laboratory facilities, either by directly measuring or by collecting and analyzing samples in a laboratory.
<i>environmental surveillance</i>	The sampling of contaminants in air, water, sediments, soils, foodstuffs, and plants and animals, either by directly measuring or by collecting and analyzing samples in a laboratory.
<i>EPA</i>	Environmental Protection Agency. The federal agency responsible for enforcing environmental laws. Although state regulatory agencies may be authorized to administer some of this responsibility, EPA retains oversight authority to ensure protection of human health and the environment.
<i>exposure</i>	A measure of the ionization produced in air by x-ray or gamma ray radiation. (The unit of exposure is the roentgen).
<i>external radiation</i>	Radiation originating from a source outside the body.
<i>fission products</i>	Atoms created by the splitting of larger atoms into smaller ones accompanied by release of energy.
<i>friable asbestos</i>	Asbestos that is brittle or readily crumbled.
<i>gallery</i>	An underground collection basin for spring discharges.
<i>gamma radiation</i>	Short-wavelength electromagnetic radiation of nuclear origin that has no mass or charge. Because of its short wavelength (high energy), gamma radiation can cause ionization. Other electromagnetic radiation (such as microwaves, visible light, and radiowaves) has longer wavelengths (lower energy) and cannot cause ionization.
<i>gross alpha</i>	The total amount of measured alpha activity without identification of specific radionuclides.
<i>gross beta</i>	The total amount of measured beta activity without identification of specific radionuclides.

<i>groundwater</i>	Water found beneath the surface of the ground (subsurface water). Groundwater usually refers to a zone of complete water saturation containing no air.
<i><math>^3\text{H}</math></i>	Tritium. A radionuclide of hydrogen with a half-life of 12.3 years. The very low energy of its radioactive decay makes it one of the least hazardous radionuclides.
<i>half-life, radioactive</i>	The time required for the activity of a radioactive substance to decrease to half its value by inherent radioactive decay. After two half-lives, one-fourth of the original activity remains ( $1/2 \times 1/2$ ), after three half-lives, one-eighth ( $1/2 \times 1/2 \times 1/2$ ), and so on.
<i>hazardous waste</i>	Wastes exhibiting any of the following characteristics: ignitability, corrosivity, reactivity, or yielding toxic constituents in a leaching test. In addition, EPA has listed as hazardous other wastes that do not necessarily exhibit these characteristics. Although the legal definition of hazardous waste is complex, the term generally refers to any waste that EPA believes could pose a threat to human health and the environment if managed improperly. Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) regulations set strict controls on the management of hazardous wastes.
<i>hazardous waste constituent</i>	The specific substance in a hazardous waste that makes it hazardous and therefore subject to regulation under Subtitle C of RCRA.
<i>HSWA</i>	Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984 to RCRA. These amendments to RCRA greatly expanded the scope of hazardous waste regulation. In HSWA, Congress directed EPA to take measures to further reduce the risks to human health and the environment caused by hazardous wastes.
<i>hydrology</i>	The science dealing with the properties, distribution, and circulation of natural water systems.
<i>internal radiation</i>	Radiation from a source within the body as a result of deposition of radionuclides in body tissues by processes such as ingestion, inhalation, or implantation. Potassium-40, a naturally occurring radionuclide, is a major source of internal radiation in living organisms.
<i>ion</i>	An atom or compound that carries an electrical charge.
<i>ionizing radiation</i>	Radiation possessing enough energy to remove electrons from the substances through which it passes. The primary contributors to ionizing radiation are radon, cosmic and terrestrial sources, and medical sources such as x-rays and other diagnostic exposures.
<i>isotopes</i>	Forms of an element having the same number of protons in their nuclei but differing in the number of neutrons. Isotopes of an element have similar chemical behaviors but can have different nuclear behaviors.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>long-lived isotope</u> - A radionuclide that decays at such a slow rate that a quantity of it will exist for an extended period (half-life is greater than three years).</li><li>• <u>short-lived isotope</u> - A radionuclide that decays so rapidly that a given quantity is transformed almost completely into decay products within a short period (half-life is two days or less).</li></ul>
<b>LDR</b>	Land disposal restrictions (land ban). A regulatory program that identifies hazardous wastes that are restricted from land disposal.
<b>MCL</b>	Maximum Contaminant Level. Maximum permissible level of a contaminant in water that is delivered to the free-flowing outlet of the ultimate user of a public water system (see Appendix A and Table A-4). The MCLs are specified by the EPA.
<b>MEI</b>	Maximum exposed individual. The average exposure to the population in general will always be less than to one person or subset of persons because of where they live, what they do, and their individual habits. To try to estimate the dose to the MEI one tries to find that population subgroup (and more specifically, the one individual) that potentially has the highest exposure, intake, etc. This becomes the MEI.
<b>mixed waste</b>	Waste that contains a hazardous waste component regulated under Subtitle C of the RCRA and a radioactive component consisting of source, special nuclear, or byproduct material regulated under the federal Atomic Energy Act (AEA).
<b>mrem</b>	Millirem ( $10^{-3}$ rem). See definition of rem. The dose equivalent that is one-thousandth of a rem.
<b>NEPA</b>	National Environmental Policy Act. This federal legislation, passed in 1969, requires federal agencies to evaluate the impacts of their proposed actions on the environment prior to decision making. One provision of NEPA requires the preparation of an EIS by federal agencies when major actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment are proposed.
<b>NESHAP</b>	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants. These standards are found in the Clean Air Act; they set limits for such pollutants as beryllium and radionuclides.
<b>nonpoint source</b>	Any nonconfined area from which pollutants are discharged into a body of water (e.g., agricultural runoff, construction runoff, and parking lot drainage).
<b>NPDES</b>	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System. This federal program, under the Clean Water Act, requires permits for discharges into surface waterways.
<b>nuclide</b>	A species of atom characterized by the constitution of its nucleus. The nuclear constitution is specified by the number of protons,

number of neutrons, and energy content; or alternately, by the atomic number, mass number, and atomic mass. To be a distinct nuclide, the atom must be capable of existing for a measurable length of time.

<b><i>PA</i></b>	Performance Assessment. A systematic analysis of the potential risks posed by waste management systems to the public and environment, and a comparison of those risks to established performance objectives.
<b><i>PCBs</i></b>	Polychlorinated biphenyls. A family of organic compounds used since 1926 in electric transformers, lubricants, carbonless copy paper, adhesives, and caulking compounds. They are also produced in certain combustion processes. PCBs are extremely persistent in the environment because they do not break down into new and less harmful chemicals. PCBs are stored in the fatty tissues of humans and animals through the bioaccumulation process. EPA banned the use of PCBs, with limited exceptions, in 1976. In general, PCBs are not as toxic in acute short-term doses as some other chemicals, although acute and chronic exposure can cause liver damage. PCBs have also caused cancer in laboratory animals. When tested, most people show traces of PCBs in their blood and fatty tissues.
<b><i>PDL</i></b>	Public Dose Limit. The new term for Radiation Protection Standards, a standard for external and internal exposure to radioactivity as defined in DOE Order 5400.5 (see Appendix A and Table A-1).
<b><i>perched groundwater</i></b>	A groundwater body above a slow-permeability rock or soil layer that is separated from an underlying main body of groundwater by a vadose zone.
<b><i>person-rem</i></b>	The unit of population dose that expresses the sum of radiation exposures received by a population. For example, two persons, each with a 0.5 rem exposure, receive 1 person-rem, and 500 people, each with an exposure of 0.002 rem, also receive 1 person-rem.
<b><i>pH</i></b>	A measure of the hydrogen ion concentration in an aqueous solution. Acidic solutions have a pH less than 7, basic solutions have a pH greater than 7, and neutral solutions have a pH of 7.
<b><i>point source</i></b>	Any confined and discrete conveyance from which pollutants are discharged into a body of water (e.g., pipe, ditch, well, or stack).
<b><i>pollution</i></b>	Levels of contamination that may be objectionable (perhaps due to a threat to health [see contamination]).
<b><i>ppb</i></b>	Parts per billion. A unit measure of concentration equivalent to the weight/volume ratio expressed as $\mu\text{g/L}$ or $\text{ng/mL}$ . Also used to express the weight/weight ratio as $\text{ng/g}$ or $\mu\text{g/kg}$ .
<b><i>ppm</i></b>	Parts per million. A unit measure of concentration equivalent to

	the weight/volume ratio expressed as mg/L. Also used to express the weight/weight ratio as µg/g or mg/kg.
<i>QA</i>	Quality assurance. Any action in environmental monitoring to ensure the reliability of monitoring and measurement data. Aspects of quality assurance include procedures, interlaboratory comparison studies, evaluations, and documentation.
<i>QC</i>	Quality control. The routine application of procedures within environmental monitoring to obtain the required standards of performance in monitoring and measurement processes. QC procedures include calibration of instruments, control charts, and analysis of replicate and duplicate samples.
<i>R</i>	Roentgen. The roentgen is a unit for measuring exposure. It is defined only for the effect on air and applies only to gamma and x-rays in air. It does not relate biological effects of radiation to the human body. $1 \text{ roentgen} = 1,000 \text{ milliroentgen (mR)}$
<i>rad</i>	Radiation absorbed dose. The rad is a unit for measuring energy absorbed in any material. Absorbed dose results from energy being deposited by the radiation. It is defined for any material. It applies to all types of radiation and does not take into account the potential effect that different types of radiation have on the body. $1 \text{ rad} = 1,000 \text{ millirad (mrad)}$
<i>radiation</i>	The emission of particles or energy as a result of an atomic or nuclear process.
<i>radionuclide</i>	An unstable nuclide capable of spontaneous transformation into other nuclides through changes in its nuclear configuration or energy level. This transformation is accompanied by the emission of photons or particles.
<i>RCRA</i>	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976. RCRA is an amendment to the first federal solid waste legislation, the Solid Waste Disposal Act of 1965. In RCRA, Congress established initial directives and guidelines for EPA to regulate hazardous wastes.
<i>reagent</i>	Any substance used in a chemical reaction to detect or measure another substance or to convert one substance into another.
<i>release</i>	Any discharge to the environment. Environment is broadly defined as water, land, or ambient air.
<i>rem</i>	Roentgen equivalent man. The rem is a unit for measuring dose equivalence. It is the most commonly used unit and pertains to only people. The rem takes into account the energy absorbed (dose) and the biological effect on the body (quality factor) due to the different types of radiation. $\text{rem} = \text{rad} \times \text{quality factor}$ $1 \text{ rem} = 1,000 \text{ millirem (mrem)}$

<b><i>RPS</i></b>	Radiation Protection Standards. See PDL.
<b><i>SAL</i></b>	Screening Action Limit. A defined contaminant level that if exceeded in a sample, requires further action.
<b><i>SARA</i></b>	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986. This act modifies and reauthorizes CERCLA. Title III of this act is known as the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986.
<b><i>saturated zone</i></b>	Rock or soil where the pores are completely filled with water, and no air is present.
<b><i>self-irradiation</i></b>	Irradiation that comes from natural sources that are commonly found in the body. For example, potassium (K) is an essential element for the body. The potassium found in the body is nonradioactive (K) and radioactive ( <sup>40</sup> K) potassium. The <sup>40</sup> K has a 1.2 MeV gamma that will irradiate tissue in the body. (Note: Basically the more fat that you have, the more <sup>40</sup> K you have.) The 40 mrem for self-irradiation is an average for a “standard” man.
<b><i>SWMU</i></b>	Solid waste management unit. Any discernible site at which solid wastes have been placed at any time, regardless of whether the unit was intended for the management of solid or hazardous waste. Such units include any area at or around a facility at which solid wastes have been routinely and systematically released. Potential release sites include, for example, waste tanks, septic tanks, firing sites, burn pits, sumps, landfills (material disposal areas), outfall areas, canyons around LANL, and contaminated areas resulting from leaking product storage tanks (including petroleum).
<b><i>TCLP</i></b>	Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure. An analytical method designed to determine the mobility of both organic and inorganic compounds present in liquid, solid, and multi-phase wastes. It is used to determine applicability of the LDR to a waste.
<b><i>TDS</i></b>	Total Dissolved Solids. The portion of solid material in a waste stream that is dissolved and passed through a filter.
<b><i>terrestrial radiation</i></b>	Radiation emitted by naturally occurring radionuclides such as potassium-40; the natural decay chains of uranium-235, uranium-238, or thorium-232; or cosmic-ray-induced radionuclides in the soil.
<b><i>TLD</i></b>	Thermoluminescent dosimeter. A material (the Laboratory uses lithium fluoride) that, after being exposed to radiation, emits a light signal when heated to approximately 300°C. This light is proportional to the amount of radiation (dose) to which it was exposed.
<b><i>TRU</i></b>	Transuranic waste. Waste contaminated with long-lived transuranic elements in concentrations within a specified range established by DOE, EPA, and NRC. These are elements shown

above uranium on the chemistry periodic table, such as plutonium, americium, and neptunium.

### *TSCA*

Toxic Substances Control Act. TSCA is intended to provide protection from substances manufactured, processed, distributed, or used in the United States. A mechanism is required by the act for screening new substances before they enter the marketplace and for testing existing substances that are suspected of creating health hazards. Specific regulations may also be promulgated under this act for controlling substances found to be detrimental to human health or to the environment.

### *TSP*

Total suspended particulates. Refers to the concentration of particulates in suspension in the air irrespective of the nature, source, or size of the particulates.

### *tuff*

Rock formed from compacted volcanic ash fragments.

### *uncontrolled area*

An area beyond the boundaries of a controlled area (see controlled area in this glossary).

### *unsaturated zone*

See vadose zone in this glossary.

### *uranium*

#### **Isotopic Abundance (atom %)**

	$^{234}\text{U}$	$^{235}\text{U}$	$^{238}\text{U}$
<i>depleted</i>	$\leq 0.0055$	$< 0.72$	$> 99.2745$
<i>natural</i>	$0.0055$	$0.72$	$99.2745$
<i>enriched</i>	$\geq 0.0055$	$> 0.72$	$< 99.2745$

Total uranium is the chemical abundance of uranium in the sample, regardless of its isotopic composition.

### *UST*

Underground storage tank. A stationary device, constructed primarily of nonearthen material, designed to contain petroleum products or hazardous materials. In a UST, 10% or more of the volume of the tank system is below the surface of the ground.

### *vadose zone*

The partially saturated or unsaturated region above the water table that does not yield water for wells. Water in the vadose zone is held to rock or soil particles by capillary forces and much of the pore spaces is filled with air.

### *water table*

The water level surface below the ground at which the unsaturated zone ends and the saturated zone begins. It is the level to which a well that is screened in the unconfined aquifer would fill with water.

### *water year*

October through September.

### *watershed*

The region draining into a river, a river system, or a body of water.

### *wetland*

A lowland area, such as a marsh or swamp, that is inundated or saturated by surface water or groundwater sufficient to support hydrophytic vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soils.



<b><i>wind rose</i></b>	A diagram that shows the frequency and intensity of wind from different directions at a particular place.
<b><i>WLM</i></b>	Working level month. A unit of exposure to radon-222 and its decay products. Working level (WL) is any combination of the short-lived radon-222 decay products in 1 L of air that will result in the emission of $1.3 \times 10^5$ MeV potential alpha energy. At equilibrium, 100 pCi/L of radon-222 corresponds to 1 WL. Cumulative exposure is measured in working level months, one of which is equal to 170 working level hours.
<b><i>worldwide fallout</i></b>	Radioactive debris from atmospheric weapons tests that has been deposited on the earth's surface after being airborne and cycling around the earth.





ACIS	Automated Chemical Inventory System
ADS	Activity Data Sheet
AEC	Atomic Energy Commission
AIP	Agreement in Principle
AL	Albuquerque Operations Office (DOE)
ALARA	as low as reasonably achievable
ANOI	Advanced Notice of Intent
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
AO	Administrative Order
AQCR	Air Quality Control Regulation (New Mexico)
BEIR	biological effects of ionizing radiation
BIA	Bureau of Indian Affairs
BLM	Bureau of Land Management
BOD	biochemical/biological oxygen demand
BP	barometric pressure
Btu	British thermal unit
CAA	Clean Air Act
CAAA	Clean Air Act Amendments
CAI	controlled-air incinerator
CAS	Condition Assessment Survey
CEDE	committed effective dose equivalent
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act
CFC	chlorofluorocarbon
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CGS	Canadian Geologic Survey
CMR	Chemistry and Metallurgy Research (LANL building)
CO	compliance order
COC	chain-of-custody
COD	chemical oxygen demand
COPC	contaminants of potential concern
CSU	Colorado State University
CWA	Clean Water Act
CY	calendar year
CYRSL	current years regional statistical reference level
DAC	derived air concentration (DOE)
DARHT	Dual Axis Radiographic Hydrotest facility
DCG	Derived Concentration Guide (DOE)
D&D	decontamination and decommissioning
DEC	DOE Environmental Checklist
DoD	Department of Defense
DOE	Department of Energy
DOE-EM	DOE, Environmental Management
DOT	Department of Transportation
DREF	dose rate effectiveness factors
EA	Environmental Assessment

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EARE	Environmental Assessments & Resource Evaluations (LANL Group)
ECD	electron capture detection
EDE	effective dose equivalent
EES	Earth and Environmental Sciences (LANL Division)
EES-1	Geology and Geochemistry Group
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EMSL-CI	Environmental Monitoring and Support Laboratory - Cincinnati
EO	Executive Order
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
EPCRA	Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act
ER	Environmental Restoration Project
ERAM	Ecological Risk Assessment Model
ERDA	Energy, Research, and Development Administration
ESAL	Ecotoxicological Screening Action Level
ESH	Environment, Safety, & Health (LANL Division)
ESH-13	ESH Training Group
ESH-14	Quality Assurance Group
ESH-17	Air Quality Group
ESH-18	Water Quality & Hydrology Group
ESH-19	Hazardous & Solid Waste Group
ESH-20	Environmental Assessments & Resource Evaluations Group
EST	Ecological Studies Team (ESH-20)
FDA	Food and Drug Administration
FFCA	Federal Facilities Compliance Agreement
FFCAct	Federal Facilities Compliance Act
FFCAgreement	RCRA Federal Facility Compliance Agreement
FONSI	Finding of No Significant Impact
FY	fiscal year
GC	gas chromatography
GC/MS	gas chromatography/mass spectrometry
GMP	Groundwater Monitoring Plan
GMPMP	Groundwater Protection Management Program Plan
HAP	Hazardous Air Pollutant
HAZWOPER	hazardous waste operations training class
HE	high-explosive
HEPA	high-efficiency particulate air (filter)
HPGe	high purity germanium detector
HPIC	high pressure ion chamber
HPTL	High Pressure Tritium Laboratory
HSWA	Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments
HWMR	Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (New Mexico)
HWTU	Hazardous Waste Treatment Unit
ICPMS	inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry
ICPES	inductively coupled plasma emission spectroscopy
ICRP	International Commission on Radiological Protection

ISF	Infrastructure Support Facility
JCI	Johnson Controls, Inc.
JENV	JCI Environmental
KPA	kinetic phosphorimetric analysis
LAAO	Los Alamos Area Office
LAMPF	Los Alamos Meson Physics Facility (a.k.a. Clinton P. Anderson Meson Physics Facility - LANL building)
LAMPFNET	Los Alamos Meson Physics Facility network
LANL	Los Alamos National Laboratory (or the Laboratory)
LDR	land disposal restrictions
LET	linear energy transfer
LLW	low-level radioactive waste
LLMW	low-level mixed waste
LTRSL	long-term regional statistical reference level
MCL	maximum contaminant level
MDA	minimum detectable amount (activity)
MDA	material disposal area
MDL	minimum detection limit
MEI	maximum exposed individual
MIDAS	Meteorological Information Dispersion Assessment System
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MS	mass spectrometry
MWDF	Mixed Waste Disposal Facility
MWRSF	Mixed Waste Receiving and Storage Facility
NCRP	National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NERP	National Environmental Research Park
NESHAP	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants
NFA	no further action
NHPA	National Historic Preservation Act
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology (formerly National Bureau of Standards)
NMDA	New Mexico Department of Agriculture
NMED	New Mexico Environment Department
NMEIB	New Mexico Environmental Improvement Board
NMHW	New Mexico Hazardous Waste Act
NMWQCA	New Mexico Water Quality Control Act
NMWQCC	New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission
NOD	Notice of Deficiency
NOI	Notice of Intent
NON	Notice of Noncompliance
NOV	Notice of Violation
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
NRC	Nuclear Regulatory Commission
OB/OD	open burning/open detonation
ODS	ozone depleting substance

## Acronyms and Abbreviations

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O&G	oil and grease
OHL	Occupational Health Laboratory (LANL building)
ORSRL	overstory regional statistical reference level
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Act/Administration
OU	operable unit
PA	performance assessment
PAT	purge-and-trap gas chromatography/mass spectrometry
PCB	polychlorinated biphenyl
PDL	public dose limit
PHERMEX	Pulsed high-energy radiographic machine emitting x-rays
ppb	parts per billion
ppm	parts per million
P <sup>3</sup> O	Pollution Prevention Program Office
PP	pollution prevention
PPOA	Pollution Prevention Opportunity Assessment
PRS	potential release site
PWA	Process Waste Assessment
QA	quality assurance
QAP	Quality Assurance Program
QAPP	Quality Assurance Program Plan
QC	quality control
RAS	Radiochemistry and Alpha Spectrometry
R&D	research and development
RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
RD&D	research, development, and demonstration
RFA	RCRA facility assessment
RFI	RCRA facility investigation
ROD	Record of Decision
RPS	Radiation Protection Standard (now PDL)
RSRL	regional statistical reference level
SAL	screening action level
SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act
SCYLLA	LANL/Nevada Test Site Explosive Pulsed Power Experiment
SDWA	Safe Drinking Water Act
SHPO	State Historic Preservation Officer (New Mexico)
SIC	Standard Industrial Classification
SIO	Stakeholder Involvement Office
SLD	Scientific Laboratory Division (New Mexico)
SOC	synthetic organic compound
SODAR	sound, distance, and ranging
SOP	standard operating procedure
SOP	stratospheric ozone protection
SPCC	Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures
SR	state road
SRM	standard reference material

SVOC	semivolatile organic compound
SWAT	soil, water, and air testing
SWEIS	Site-Wide Environmental Impact Statement
SWPP	Storm Water Prevention Plan
SWDA	Solid Waste Disposal Act
SWMR	solid waste management regulations
SWMU	solid waste management unit
SWSC	Sanitary Wastewater Systems Consolidation
TA	Technical Area
TCLP	Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure
TDS	total dissolved solids
THM	trihalomethane
TLD	thermoluminescent dosimeter
TLDNET	thermoluminescent dosimeter network
TRI	toxic chemical release inventory
TRU	transuranic waste
TSCA	Toxic Substances Control Act
TSD	treatment, storage, and disposal
TSP	total suspended particles
TSS	total suspended solids
TU	tritium unit
TWISP	Transuranic Waste Inspectable Storage Project
UC	University of California
ULB	upper limit background
URSRL	understory regional statistical reference level
USGS	United States Geological Survey
UST	underground storage tank
UV	ultraviolet
VAC	Voluntary Corrective Action
VOC	volatile organic compound
WCTF	Weapons Component Testing Facility
WETF	Weapons Engineering Tritium Facility
WIPP	Waste Isolation Pilot Project
WL	working level
WLM	working level month
WM	Waste Minimization
WM	Waste Management
WSC	Waste Stream Characterization
WQCC	Water Quality Control Commission

## Acronyms and Abbreviations

### Elemental and Chemical Nomenclature

Actinium	Ac	Molybdenum	Mo
Aluminum	Al	Neodymium	Nd
Americium	Am	Neon	Ne
Argon	Ar	Neptunium	Np
Antimony	Sb	Nickel	Ni
Arsenic	As	Niobium	Nb
Astatine	At	Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	NO <sub>3</sub> -N
Barium	Ba	Nitrite (as Nitrogen)	NO <sub>2</sub> -N
Berkelium	Bk	Nitrogen	N
Beryllium	Be	Nitrogen dioxide	NO <sub>2</sub>
Bicarbonate	HCO <sub>3</sub>	Nobelium	No
Bismuth	Bi	Osmium	Os
Boron	B	Oxygen	O
Bromine	Br	Palladium	Pd
Cadmium	Cd	Phosphorus	P
Calcium	Ca	Phosphate (as Phosphorus)	PO <sub>4</sub> -P
Californium	Cf	Platinum	Pt
Carbon	C	Plutonium	Pu
Cerium	Ce	Polonium	Po
Cesium	Cs	Potassium	K
Chlorine	Cl	Praseodymium	Pr
Chromium	Cr	Promethium	Pm
Cobalt	Co	Protactinium	Pa
Copper	Cu	Radium	Ra
Curium	Cm	Radon	Rn
Cyanide	CN	Rhenium	Re
Carbonate	CO <sub>3</sub>	Rhodium	Rh
Dysprosium	Dy	Rubidium	Rb
Einsteinium	Es	Ruthenium	Ru
Erbium	Er	Samarium	Sm
Europium	Eu	Scandium	Sc
Fermium	Fm	Selenium	Se
Fluorine	F	Silicon	Si
Francium	Fr	Silver	Ag
Gadolinium	Gd	Sodium	Na
Gallium	Ga	Strontium	Sr
Germanium	Ge	Sulfate	SO <sub>4</sub>
Gold	Au	Sulfite	SO <sub>3</sub>
Hafnium	Hf	Sulfur	S
Helium	He	Tantalum	Ta
Holmium	Ho	Technetium	Tc
Hydrogen	H	Tellurium	Te
Hydrogen oxide	H <sub>2</sub> O	Terbium	Tb
Indium	In	Thallium	Tl
Iodine	I	Thorium	Th
Iridium	Ir	Thulium	Tm
Iron	Fe	Tin	Sn
Krypton	Kr	Titanium	Ti
Lanthanum	La	Tritiated water	HTO
Lawrencium	Lr (Lw)	Tritium	<sup>3</sup> H
Lead	Pb	Tungsten	W
Lithium	Li	Uranium	U
Lithium fluoride	LiF	Vanadium	V
Lutetium	Lu	Xenon	Xe
Magnesium	Mg	Ytterbium	Yb
Manganese	Mn	Yttrium	Y
Mendelevium	Md	Zinc	Zn
Mercury	Hg	Zirconium	Zr





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